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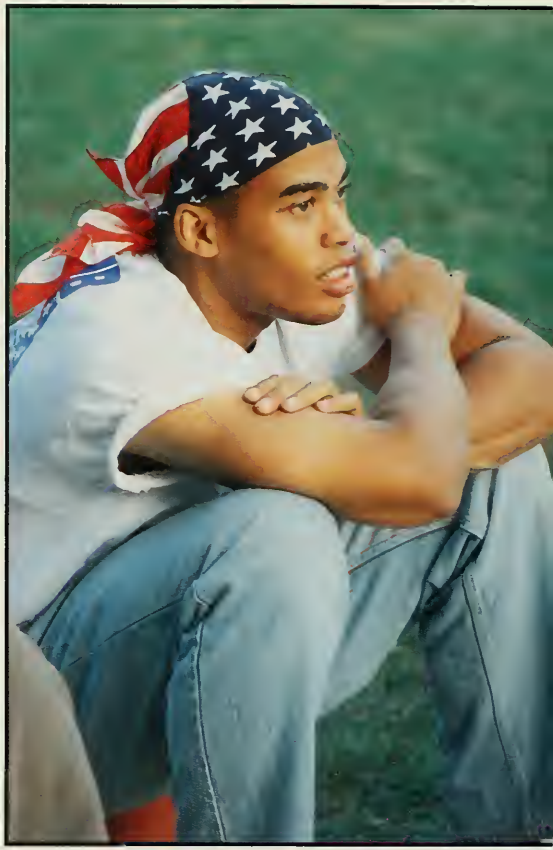
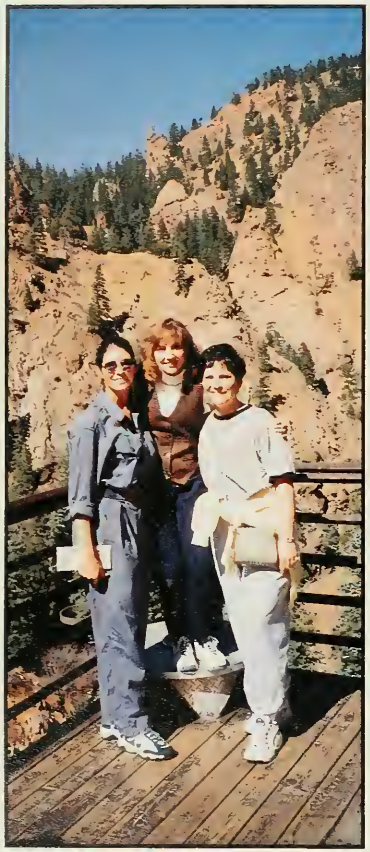
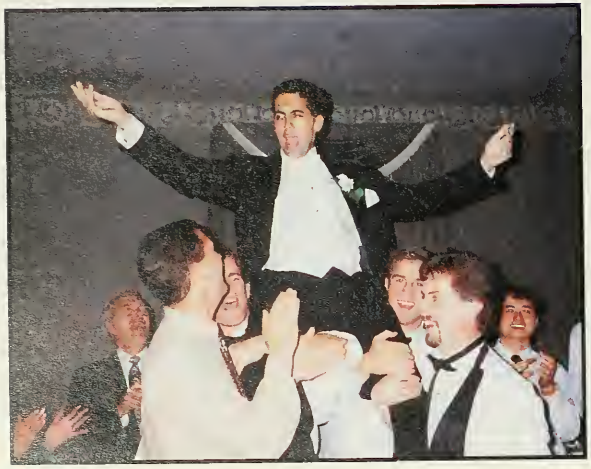




PCOM's Class of 1999...

...On August 23, 1995 we met as a class for the first time...

HOPE TOWN



...Together we struggled through
long hours of lectures...

... and countless late nights studying...

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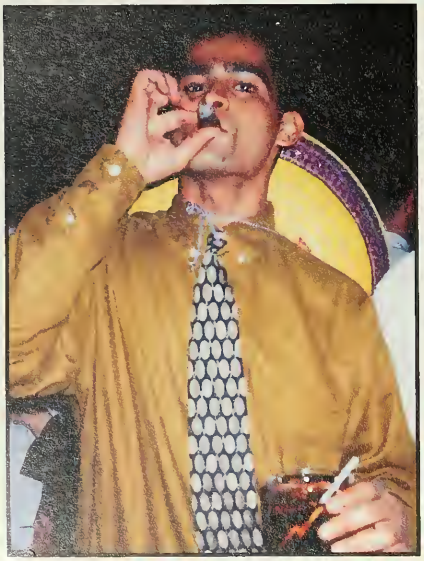
...Along the way we built lasting friendships, made many wonderful memories, learned more than we ever thought possible,...

...and laughed a lot
throughout the journey...



..Over the past four years we have witnessed many changes at PCOM...

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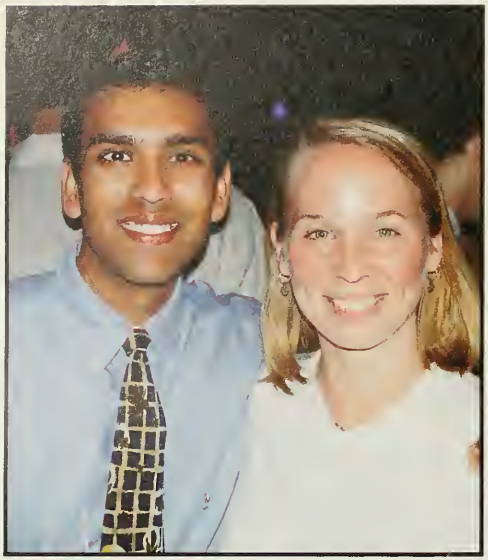
...Not only has our campus been transformed, but on June 6, 1999...



...we, the class of 1999,
became doctors.

EXIT

THE MED SCHOOL NERD SCALE

The following scale has been developed in close cooperation with the psychiatry services. It is designed to test if you have spent too much time in medical school and whether you are having adverse side effects due to prolonged exposure. Score one point for each statement that applies to you.

-taken from Leamon Davenport's scribe on March 13, 1996

1. You have ever said "Netter is God".
2. You can discuss autopsy/anatomy over a meal.
3. You own a 4 color pen.
4. -it just isn't enough colors for you.
5. You use more than one color to take notes,
6. You have used up more than 6 highlighters in the past 6 months.
7. You have ever highlighted something you wrote.
8. You retype handouts given in class.
9. You haven't had a date in 3 months.
10. You haven't had a date since entering med school.
11. You have not been able to remember the normal term for something because you were thinking of the medical term (ie. reflux for heartburn).
12. You get more sleep in lecture than at home.
13. You know the correct spelling for pruritus.
14. You also know what it means.
15. You have ever asked a question in class.
16. The prof. didn't understand the question.
17. -you didn't believe the answer the prof. gave.
18. -you went to look it up to see if they were right.
19. You can't hold a conversation on anything other than med school.
20. You skip class to study.
21. You've said you didn't do well on a test on which you beat the mean.
22. You spend more than 15 hrs. a week on e-mail.
23. You have a callous on your finger from writing.
24. More than one professor knows you by name.
25. When you ask a question, a new professor has said "Oh I've heard of you".
26. You can name more amino acids than past presidents.
27. You use more than 5 acronyms an hour when talking.
28. You actually know what PERRLA stands for.
29. You know all the steps of the TCA cycle.
30. You do not read PTA as parent teachers association.
31. You can remember the muscles in the forearm.
32. You know the structures in the urea cycle.
33. You know the dermatome distribution.
34. You can't remember what you had for breakfast.
35. You can't spell world, much less backwards.
36. You've ever been sexually aroused by the breast shadow on X-ray.
37. You equate "morning stiffness" with Rhematoid Arthritis.
38. You actually know normal values for plasma Na.
39. -K.
40. Missing class causes you extreme stress.
41. You have seriously asked someone "So how does that make you feel?"
42. You have asked will this be on the exam.
43. -Just after the prof. said it wouldn't.
44. You identify with Deb on E.R.

45. You have made a medical joke.
46. -no one laughed.
47. -You figure they just weren't that far in their studying.
48. You wear your stethoscope around your neck on the bus.
49. -you don't even know which way the thing goes in your ears.
50. "SOB" means short of breath to you.
51. You have gone to student health with suspicion of a disease you have studied.
52. -within 3 days of the lecture.
53. You have answered a question in class.
54. -asked by the professor.
55. -it was a rhetorical question.
56. You can quote lines from the movie "Malice".
57. -you believe them.
58. You can flip your pen over your thumb.
59. -with both hands.
60. you do so throughout class.
61. You have corrected a professor in class.
62. -the rest of the class didn't understand the lecture to begin with.
63. You know how to calculate specificity.
64. -positive predictive value.
65. -anion gap.
66. -you can't balance your checkbook.
67. You don't know what the weather was like for the past week.
68. You don't know what the weather is like right now.
69. You actually talk in open ended questions.
70. DIC isn't a slang term for the penis in your book.
71. You think B- is a bad grade.
72. You have stressed about a pass/fail class.
73. You study during most of your meals.
74. You saw nothing abnormal about the Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder.
75. You draw all the slides not already provided in the handouts.
76. -including the cartoons (humorous type).
77. Anatomy makes you hungry.
78. You would even consider saying "Ease back on my finger at your own pace".
79. You know the size of a RBC.
80. -you don't know the size of a football field.
81. Your eyesight has worsened by 10 pts. or more in the last four years.
82. You have the library hours memorized.
83. You have your own seat in the library.
84. You scored more than 95 on the Epidemiology Final.
85. You own more than one white coat.
86. You have debated between giving up sleep or eating in order to find more time to study.
87. You started studying for boards more than 2 months in advance.
88. You have never received a personal invitation to discuss your grades with the dean.
89. A tie is the only addition necessary to what you normally wear when you go to see patients.
90. You wear scrubs to tests.
91. You have made plans to study on a beach during vacation.
92. -You actually did.
93. You have a designated seat in lecture.
94. -You have ever asked someone to move from your seat.
95. You sleeep less than 4 hrs. a night.
96. -you think that is plenty.
97. -you have thought about cutting back.
98. You study more than 35 hrs. outside of class.
99. -you think you are a slackard..
100. You think everyone answers yes to most of these questions.

Scale

0-20	You're not in Med School.
21-35	Either Med School is a breeze or you like the sound of "Senor doctor".
36-45	Gotta love that Primary Care.
46-60	Well, I never really thought about MD/PhD, but now that you mention it.
61-75	Your social life is shot might as well try to earn lots of money.
76-90	Which surgery subspecialty did you say you liked?
90-100	All hail great Med School Nerd Master.

100 Years of Tradition

Excerpts included in this section are from *To Secure Merit: A Century of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine 1899-1999* by Carol Benenson Perloff

Centennial Celebration

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Foreword

In 1979 I delivered the Commencement address to Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. My remarks, framed in the blended styles of Jonathan Swift's "Modest Proposal" and Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World*, pretended to impart 20 years of retrospective to the Class of 1999. Ironically, two decades have passed since that day of pomp and circumstance at the Academy of Music, a score of years that now brings the College to its Centennial celebration. And what a century of history it has been!

In 1889 two newly trained osteopathic physicians from the Midwest introduced a new school and philosophy of medicine to a city known as the birthplace of American medicine. Philadelphia's rich legacy of health care started in 1751 with the founding of the nation's first hospital, Pennsylvania Hospital. With the opening of the University of Pennsylvania's Medical Department in 1765, the city also assumed the lead in medical education. By the time Drs. O.J. Snyder and Mason W. Pressly first advertised the Philadelphia College and Infirmary of Osteopathy, a well-established medical culture was already in place.

Philadelphia's first osteopathic institution fought its battles and, in time, proved its efficacy. From its inception, the College championed the notions of holistic medicine and preventive health care, which since have become accepted goals for the medical profession at large as it approaches the 21st century. Through struggles to obtain specialized training, D.O.s have also earned recognition beyond the sphere of primary health care.

Despite criticism from my fellow M.D.s, I lectured on pediatric surgery at PCOM's 48th and Spruce Streets campus in the 1950s, and in 1976, began rotating osteopathic surgical residents through the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia's training program in pediatric surgery. PCOM graduates proved to be among the best. Without a doubt, in the 100 years now being celebrated, PCOM has earned its position among those institutions that have assured the preeminence of American medicine.

C. Everett Koop, M.D.
Former US Surgeon General

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FOUNDERS

Dr. Andrew Taylor Still

In 1874 Dr. Andrew Taylor Still, a frontier physician, announced his theories about a new system of structural therapeutics that he called osteopathy. His revolutionary theories rejected traditional medical practice (allopathy) that relied heavily on drugs. Instead, Still associated disease with disorders of the musculoskeletal system which, through mechanical correction, could be prevented or treated. His system of medicine soon attracted supporters. It also elicited opponents who labeled the new alternative medicine quackery, cultism and charlatanism. In so doing, these naysayers fueled a long history of struggles for the osteopathic profession, a struggle mirrored in the 100-year history of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

After Still founded the first school of osteopathy in Kirksille, Missouri in 1892, his students went on to found other osteopathic schools. These were primarily in the American Midwest, the exceptions being the Pacific School of Osteopathy in Anaheim, California (1896) and the Boston Institiute of Osteopathy (1897). In the summer of 1898, O.J. Snyder and Mason W. Pressly, both students at the Northern Institute of Osteopathy in Minneapolis, decided it was time to create a second osteopathic institution in the East. After considering several large cities, they selected Philadelphia and in 1899 opened the doors of the Philadelphia College and Infirmary of Osteopathy (PCIO)- later known as Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM).

Mason W. Pressly, D.O., 1859-1942

Mason W. Pressly, D.O., was a Presbyterian minister from Coddle Creek, North Carolina. He held pastorates in several states before visiting A.T. Still at the American School of Osteopathy (ASO) in Kirksville to investigate osteopathy as a means to help his invalid wife....while at Kirksville, Pressly developed a close relationship with Still, he served as associate editor of the schoool's Journal of Osteopathy, as professor of physiology and as pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. In January 1898 Pressly was elected to chair physiology and hygiene at the Northern Institute of Osteopathy in Minneapolis where, at the age of 39, he received his D.O. degree... While at the Northern Institute, Pressly became acquainted with fellow student and teacher, O.J. Snyder. The two agreed to form a partnership and Pressly came to Philadelphia in January 1899 to secure office space for the practice and school they planned to start...When PCIO admitted its first students, Pressly was the only teacher.

O.J. Snyder, D.O., 1866-1947

Born in St. Louis, Missouri, and raised in Wisconsin, O.J. Snyder,D.O., began his career as a teacher, then entered federal government service as a special examiner in the US Pension Bureau. But when his sister's sight was restored after osteopathic manipulative treatment, Snyder pursued his studies in osteopathic medicine. He enrolled at the Northern Institute of Osteopathy in Minneapolis where he also taught clinical microscopy. Snyder graduated from the Northern Institute in 1899, by which time he and Mason W.Pressly, D.O., had formed their plans to found an osteopathic institution in Philadelphia. Snyder joined Pressly in Philadelphia in May 1899, starting 48 years of continuous involvement with the College.

"It is not Mysticism; it is mechanism. It is not prayer; it is physics. It is not faith; it is work. It is not christian science; it is common sense. It is not faith cure; it is fact cure. It is not magnetic; it is vivific. It is not massage or manipulation; it is the mastery of the matter and motions of the body by trained hands and brains. It is not mental; it is mechanical. It is not pharmaceutical; it is physiological. It is not artificial; it is natural. It is not ideal; it is real. It is not hypnotic; it is dynamic. It is not destructive; it is constructive. It is not trance; it is truth. It is not spiritualism; it is animism. It is not hallucination; it is health."

Mason W. Pressly,D.O., editor, Philadelphia Journal of Osteopathy, January 1899

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OSTEOPATHY IN PRACTICE

"Release of the intrinsic healing of the body can happen when we use manipulation, our birthright modality."

- David Heilig, D.O.

In PCIO's clinic [during WW II], free service was given to men rejected by the draft boards because of correctable physical conditions, restoring many for military service.

"Every patient in the Hospital got an osteopathic treatment twice a day, regardless of what was wrong, and you were the ones who did it - the students"

- F. Munro Purse, D.O. (1932)

Jean L. Sheperla, a nurse in the Osteopathic Hospital [of Philadelphia] and later a D.O. (1926), remebered, "During the flu epidemic in 1918 we had 56 cases. We used Osteopathic treatments, using our Osteopathic students to treat them every two hours, concentrating on the chest and lung areas." When the pandemic was over, it helped place the osteopathic profession in a more favorable light with some of its critics as patients receiving osteopathic manipulation care developed fewer complications of the flu and hence better mortality statistics.

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ADAPTING TO PROGRESS

In 1929 the AOA passed a resolution permitting osteopathic colleges to teach supplementary herapeutics (pharmacology), reflecting the broadening scope of osteopathic practice.

The tide began to turn at PCO around 1932 when C.D.B. Balbirnie, Ph.D., D.O.(1911), included general principles of prescription writing...Another milestone in the integration of pharmacology into the curriculum dates to 1937 when Samuel Levin Ph.G., D.O. (1935) and Morton Seidenfeld, B.S., M.A., introduced a second-year course called experimental pharmacology [which] "...planned to deal mainly with the pharmacological considerations having to do with antiseptics, antidotes, anesthetics, and narcotics".

"The application of drugs to the treatment of disease has no place in the osteopathic curriculum."

(PCO Announcement, 1930-1931) - C.D.B. Balbirnie, Ph.D., D.O. (1911), Chairman of the Department of Therapeutics

By the 1950s, the heart-lung machine,ultrasound, the artificial kidney and other innovations were revolutionizing medical care, which in turn was becoming increasingly specialized...For D.O.s in particular, gaining competency in "modern" medicine was integral to the struggle for parity with M.D.s.

In 1976 PCOM's Department of Radiology, under the direction of Robert L. Meals, D.O. (1956), aquired a Varian 4MeV linear accelerator for the treatment of cancer...[the Barth Pavillion] was one of two hospitals in the osteopathic profession to have a linear accelerator...In January of 1979, PCOM obtained a CT scanner...[which] was upgraded in 1980 to include the most advanced scanner technology available, making it one of the most sophisticated in the country.

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FATHER OF ANATOMY

His comprehensive knowledge of the subject , his demanding, if stern, teaching and his tireless devotion to osteopathic medicine led his students and peers to declare him the country's best anatomist of the era.

With George S. Rothmeyer, D.O. (1927), as department head, [Angus Gordon] Cathie joined the Anatomy faculty as instructor in 1933. While making his mark as an educator, he pursued his interests as an anatomist/curator. Cathie devoted much of his time to the Anatomy Museum...[He] prepared most of the specimens in the Museum with his own hands. He developed the collection as a teaching tool...But he also used the collection for marketing the College. Specimens from and photographs of the Museum-accompanied by Cathie-were displayed on tours of undergraduate schools and at professional meetings.

Angus Gordon Cathie, D.O. (1931)

"The museum, which made his laboratory unique, and the great anatomy laboratory of the world, was the greatest experience of his creativity, an assemblage of art forms, conceived and created in loneliness."

- Ruth V.E. Waddel Cathie, D.O. (1938)

Around 1944 Cathie...provided each student with a set of bones prepared in the work room of the department. By foot, by car or by trolley, students carried the specimens home in their "bone box". Eleanor V. Masterson, D.O. (1957) recalled Cathie distributing the specimens and admonishing students, "Please do not use the femur to prop up you window, because if I see that, you flunk".

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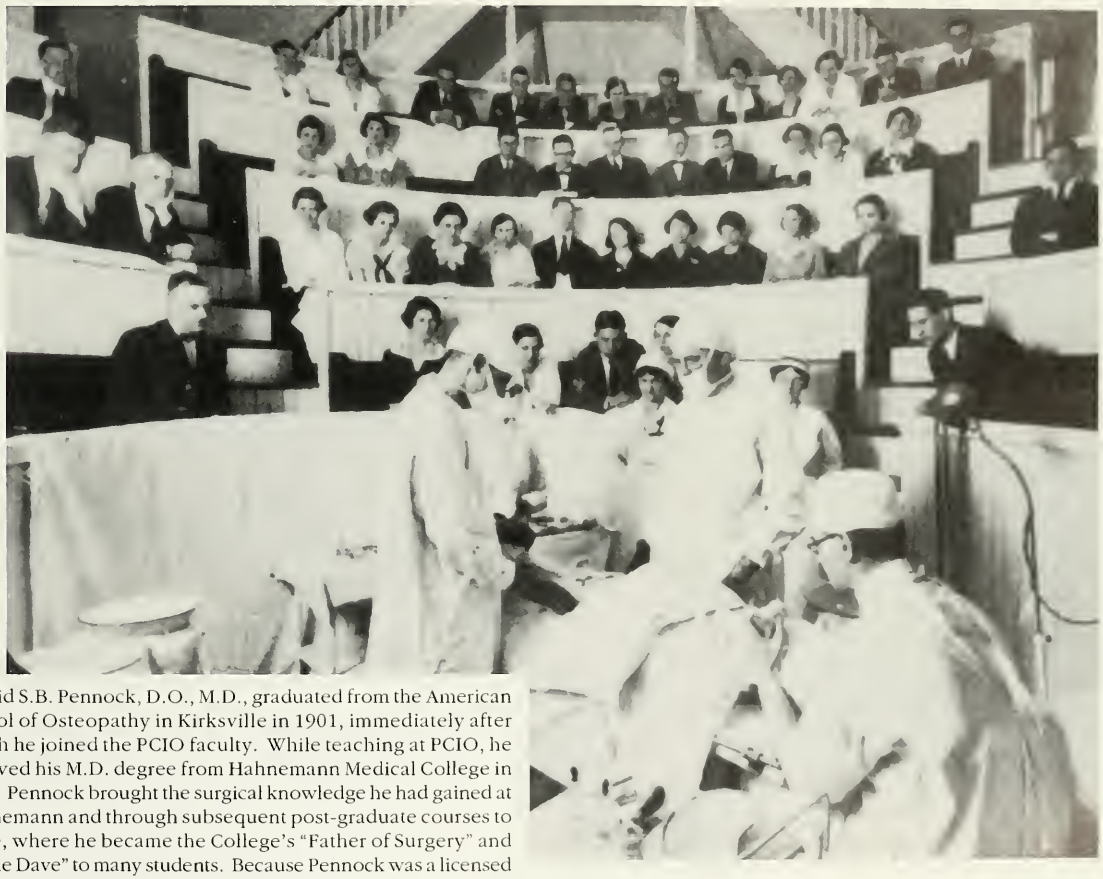
FATHER OF SURGERY

"Dr. Pennock instilled one thing in my mind; he said 'Always discuss things with a patient. Sit down and talk to them; if they call you and have trouble, talk to them over the phone; do not cut them short.' "

- Ernest J. Leuzinger, D.O. (1924)



David S.B. Pennock, D.O., M.D., graduated from the American school of Osteopathy in Kirksville in 1901, immediately after which he joined the PCIO faculty. While teaching at PCIO, he received his M.D. degree from Hahnemann Medical College in 1904. Pennock brought the surgical knowledge he had gained at Hahnemann and through subsequent post-graduate courses to PCIO, where he became the College's "Father of Surgery" and "Uncle Dave" to many students. Because Pennock was a licensed M.D., he could practice surgery and prescribe drugs legally at PCIO prior to passage of the state's Surgeons Bill in 1923, which recognized the osteopaths' right to perform surgery. Pennock organized the College's Department of Surgery and served as chief of staff and chief surgeon of the Osteopathic Hospital of Philadelphia from its inception in 1916 until his retirement in 1947. He served on the first Surgical Board in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and was PCOM's first recipient of the O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal, the highest honor awarded by the college.

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The interns worked seven days a week and had one weekend off each month. Their responsibilities included bedside manipulative treatments and laboratory work such as blood counts, urinalysis and sputum analysis.

Through persistence Morton Terry, D.O. (1945), became PCO's first de facto internal medicine resident...After completing an internship at the Osteopathic Hospital in 1946, Terry asked Ralph Fischer, D.O., chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine, for a residency, but was told that the hospital was not big enough and that there would not be enough for a resident to do. Rather than accept "no" for an answer, Terry accompanied the internists on rounds, started running tests for them and covered their patients in their absence. After a few months of working without pay or recognition, he did not show up to work one day. Realizing through Terry's absence the value of this "medical resident," Fischer and the other members of the executive committee formalized Terry's appointment with retroactive pay of $25 per month.

In response to the growing size and rigors of these graduate training programs in the Osteopathic Hospital, Galen S. Young, Sr., D.O. (1935) founded and sponsored the Survivors' Club, which grew into an annual dinner celebration for those who "survived" their internship or residency at PCO.

In 1928 PCO had established the nation's first osteopathic residency program in radiology; in the late 1940s the college continued this tradition of firsts with new residency programs in several departments.

1928 Radiology
1940 Urology
1942 Surgery
1946 Internal Medicine
1947 Orthopedics
OB/GYN
1948 Pediatrics
1979 OPP

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CLINICS

"One day I was a student, passing tests, and then the next day I was handed charts and told, 'Now you're part of the care-giving team.' I remember the anxiety I had, but also the sense of fulfillment."

– Kenneth J. Veit, D.O. (1976)

"We spent three months in a clinic, and we had our own little cubicles which they referred to as booths and many of our patients referred to us as their 'booth doctors.' We were given our own little clientele, and we followed those patients for three months, and if any of their family members would register in the clinic, we also got those patients."

Eleanor V. Masterson, D.O. (1957)

Under the supervision of their instructors, juniors and seniors examined patients in the "noon-day clinics." made diagnoses and recommmended treatments. During the two years in the clinic, each student handled roughly 1,200 patients, following through with those who needed to see physicians in the specialty clinics.

An important milestone in the history of PCOM's clinics took place in the early 1950s with the acquisition of Women's Homeopathic Hospital at 20th and Susquehanna Streets and its renovation into the College's North Center Hospital. The clinic here handled a plethora of cases from this North Philadelphia neighborhood.

To promote an awareness of health care and comfort with medical procedures among children, Oliver Bullock, D.O. (1978) created a program of puppets, videos and activity books to take into the public schools. The staff initially carried out the school programs, but Bullock then passed the torch for that responsibility to the students rotating through the Center.

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STUDENT LIFE

For as long as there has been a Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, there has been a spirited student life to go with it.

Customarily, the Dean sponsored a catered supper in the college auditorium for Freshmen and their instructors. The Admission Committee members were also present to get a second glance at the mistakes they made.

- 1950 Synapsis

Reported in the Summer 1968 *Osteopathic Digest* as the "Great Sideburn Confrontation," it pitted the administration against the long-haired generation. Vice President and Director of Admissions Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., disturbed by the unprofessional look of many of the students, identified 20 of the worst offenders and insisted that they get haircuts and trim their sideburns to a specified length or not return to class. The students complied, but the incident reached the news wires as far as Hawaii and Alaska.

In the 1950s, students started an annual Christmas Show…, resurrecting the song and dance talent that had flourished in PCO's performing arts in the 1920s and '30s – only this time laced with satirical humor. The Christmas Show … evolved into the Flounders Day Follies (eventually "Follies"), which premiered January 25, 1980.

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SPORTS

The 1920's was a peak decade for the growth of organized, competitive sports at PCOM. This was a trend consistent with the history of athletics at home and abroad in the years following World War I.

Among the PCO tennis legends were the Fischer brothers, Herbert (1923) and Carl (1925)...[Carl] brought PCO victory in the 1923 Intercollegiate Tennis Championship where he won the singles event in a tournament with Yale, Harvard, Stanford, the University of California, Oxford and Cambridge. In 1924 he was invited to play at Wimbledon...where he played doubles with Australian Norman Brookes...Fischer and Brookes made it to the finals, but lost to the Australian doubles champions.

"It is the duty of every student to think of mind, body and attitude. Sports will assist tremendously in developing necessary character traits for future us, especially in the field of practice."

- Dr. M. Francois D'Eliscu, director of athletics and student welfare, 1935

With the exception of track and field...by the late 1930s the pressures of academia curtailed the emphasis on organized, competitive athletics at PCO Intramural football and softball games were the norm. And then the outbreak of World War II clearly impacted the student experience...Athletics at PCO began to make a comeback in 1950 with the enthusiasm and efforts of Assistant registrar Thomas M. Rowland, Jr...His basketball squad soon became known as the PCO basketball team...[and] competed for one year at the intercollegiate level.

The next major resurgence of organized athletics at PCOM - again, attributable to Rowland - took place in th 1970s. In 1973 he organized a fledgling rugby club...In its first year, the team captured first place in the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union Collegiate Tournament.

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WOMEN & MINORITIES

"There is a place for the fair sex in the practice of Osteopathy - a place as high and noble as that occupied by men." – O.J. Snyder, D.O.

Snyder and Pressley followed Still's thinking when they founded PCIO in 1899. One of the two graduates of the class of 1900 was a woman, Gene G. Banker, D.O. Despite her small stature, Banker became known for her osteopathic treatments.

Dr. [Gene G.] Banker brought to her practice a cheery optimism: faith, humor, and a zest for living that sustained her to the end. She was little more than five feet tall, thin of face, with lovely graying hair. But she was wiry, and with strong fingers and wrists she administered the treatments. She never became wealthy, because her services were frequently contributed when patients couldn't pay. She was an old-fashioned, but wonderful family physician.

- letter from grateful patient, Mrs. Marion W. Jenks, 1969

The most significant gender shift at the College started with the Class of 1940…Between 1950 and 1969, only 40 women graduated…In his "Report of the Dean" for 1946-47, Otterbein Dressler, D.O., wrote,

It is not the policy of the Committee on Admissions to refuse admissions to female students, but it would be just as well if we did not encourage it; for even those females who have come to us with the avowed intention of careers in the healing arts, have sometimes shown the least service to society by way of practice.

…the percentage of women in a graduating class reached a two-digit number (11) again in 1978 for only the second time since 1939…By 1986 women comprised 28.7 percent of the PCOM student body…The trend increased…with an all-time high of 45 percent in the graduating Classes of 1997 and 1999.

Fifty years into its existence, PCO had only four African-American graduates, three of whom were women…In 1990 PCOM established the Meta Christy Award for exemplary practice of osteopathic medicine and community service to honor the College's first African-American graduate [Class of '21].

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MILITARY

The story of the military and PCOM is virtually one of absence for two-thirds of the College's first century. It was not absence by choice, but rather by discrimination.

Despite FDR's acceptance of D.O.s, the Armed Forces was not ready to embrace them as commissioned officers. Instead, the draft board gave osteopathic physicians 2-A deferments to care for the civilian population whose M.D.s had gone overseas. Ironically, this discrimination served to boost the osteopathic profession. Many patients of allopathic physicians came to D.O.s and their hospitals for the first time, and having experienced osteopathic care, decided to stay with it.

PCO responded to the wartime emergency and its role as home front physicians... Beginning in September 1943, the four-year course of study was condensed into three years that included summers. The curriculum itself was modified to include courses dealing with war and post-war topics such as tropical medicine, industrial and war injuries, and gas casualty treatments.

Then in 1966, Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara issued a directive ordering the military to accept qualified D.O.s who volunteered for active duty commissions in the Medical Corps...the AMA House of Delegates, which had always fought the inclusion of D.O.s in the draft, unanimously supported the notion. The first 111 D.O.s were drafted in February 1967 - Hugh P. Scott, D.O. (1964), promoted to Rear Admiral in 1990, was among them...

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LEAVING A LEGACY

H. Walter Evans, D.O., 1890-1970

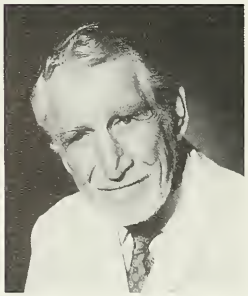
Evans was known not only as a teacher, but also as a leader... His dedication was evidenced by his work on the development of the 48th St. campus , his efforts to help PCO survive the Depression and his assistance in guiding the College's program during the post-war years. But Evans' greatest contribution very well may be the pivotal role he played in the planning and construction of the City Avenue campus.

Emanuel Fliegelman, D.O., 1915-1998

Fliegelman who had volunteered his teaching time at 48th Street in the 1960s, left his mark at PCOM with his dynamic lectures on OB/GYN and human sexuality, his classic orientation talk and his compassion.

"I love to be around students. And it would seem that the students and I have a very good rapport. I'm a bit of a ham, and when you're a teacher, you have the opportunity to put on some of your techniques of acting and drama...when I get up and give a lecture, I'm euphoric. I should pay them to let me do it."

-Uncle Manny



David Heilig, D.O., 1914-1998

Heilig, who possessed a gentle demeanor, was known for an effective style of teaching that emphasized question and example. He not only taught OMT at the College, but also was its advocate through years in which the emphasis on specialization drew students away from more traditional osteopathic practice. ...[he] rekindle[d] the light of OMT among PCOM students and practitioners.

O.J Snyder Memorial Medal Recipients

1953	David S.B. Pennock, D.O., M.D.	1966	Angus G. Cathie, D.O. (1931)
1954	Margaret H. Jones, D.O.	1967	Carlton Street, D.O. (1924)
1955	Chester D. Swope, D.O.	1968	Edwin H Cressman, D.O. (1926)
1956	Russell C. McCaughan, D.O.	1969	Edgar O. Holden, D.O. (1922)
1958	Phil R. Russell, D.O.	1970	Frederic H Barth, D.Sc (hon.), L.L.D. (hon.)
1959	Ira W. Drew, D.O. (1911)	1971	Joseph F. Ply, D.O. (1926)
1960	C. Paul Snyder, D.O. (1910)	1972	George W. Northup, D.O. (1939)
1961	James M. Eaton, D.O. (1928)	1973	William F. Daiber, D.O. (1928)
1962	J. Ernest Leuzinger, D.O. (1924)	1974	Herman Kohn, D.O. (1927)
1963	H. Walter Evans, D.O. (1917)	1975	William S. Spaeth, D.O. (1925)
1964	Paul T. Lloyd, D.O. (1923)	1976	Mortimer J. Sullivan, D.O. (1921)

Robert L. Meals, D.O., 1928 -

In his first year on the PCO faculty as a lecturer in 1962, Meals earned the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching. He rapidly advanced through the ranks...[becoming] chairman of Radiology, Nuclear medicine and radiation Therapy, a post he held from 1973 to 1991.

Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., D.O. (Hon.), L.L.D. (Hon.), 1924-1984

[Rowland] began his career at PCO in 1950 as assistant registrar...The Class of 1954 awarded Rowland an honorary D.O. degree. Between 1959 and 1973, he rose through the ranks from President Barth's administrative assistant to executive vice president. From 1973 until his death in 1984, Rowland served as PCOM's fourth president.

Frieda O. Vickers, D.O., 1909 - 1998

"I told my mother that I was going to Philadelphia and was going to Women's Med. On the way, I was in a trolley, and I saw at 48th Street 'Philadelphia College of Osteopathy.' I said, 'Homeopathic, osteopathic – they're all schools of medicine.' So I got off the trolley, walked in there and got myself registered. And I'm not sorry."

- Frieda O. Vickers, D.O. (1939)

Galen S. Young, Sr., D.O., 1912 -

Continually advancing the cause of osteopathy, Young generously has given his time and support to the profession and PCOM. For 18 years he distinguished himself on the AOA board of trustees. As its president during 1959-60, he helped steer the osteopathic profession through the California secession crisis.

O.J Snyder Memorial Medal Recipients

1977	A. Aline Swift, D.O. (1934)	1988	Richard S. Koch, D.O. (1938)
1978	Foster C. True, D.O. (1922)	1989	Ruth E. Purdy, D.O. (1950)
1979	Frank E. Gruber, D.O. (1926)	1990	Morton E. Terry, D.O. (1945)
1980	Leo C. Wagner, D.O. (1926)	1991	Arnold Gerber, D.O. (1940)
1981	R. MacFarlane Tilley, D.O. (1923)	1992	Emanuel Fliegelman, D.O. (1942)
1982	M. Carman Pettapiece, D.O. (1932)	1993	Robert L. Meals, D.O. (1956)
1983	George H. Guest, D.O. (1936)	1994	Fairman L. Denlinger, D.O. (1953)
1984	Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., D.O. (hon.), L.L.D. (hon.)	1995	Lester Eisenberg, D.O. (1938)
1985	Galen S. Young, Sr., D.O. (1935)	1996	Albert F. D'Alonzo, D.O. (1956)
1986	David Heilig, D.O. (1944)	1997	Frieda O. Vickers, D.O. (1939)
1987	W. Kenneth Riland, D.O. (1936)	1998	Robert M. Fogel, D.O. (1958)
		1999	Nicholas C. Pedano, D.O. (1961)

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To Secure Merit CAMPUSES

Philadelphia is the centre of culture for medicine and surgery. Here are the best men and here is the highest grade of instruction. If Osteopathy wins favor it must be by culture, not by invidious comparisons. We are not depreciating other facilities; we are simply appreciating our own. Osteopathy must not become a 'laughing-stock' in Philadelphia. Nothing can save it from the ridicule of the savants of the medical profession but merit. To secure merit is our aim.

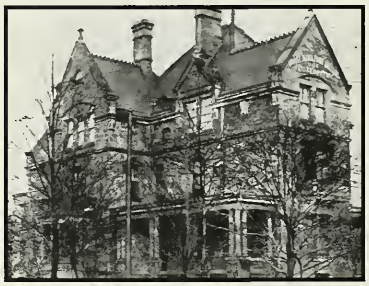
Philadelphia College and Infirmary of Osteopathy (PCIO)

1899-1900

PCIO opened in two rooms in the Stephen Girard Building, a new 13-story offfice tower at 21 S. 12th Street.

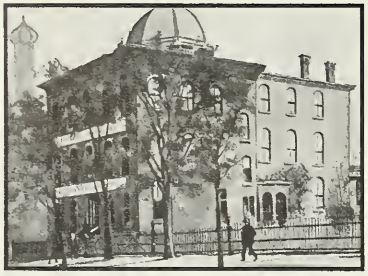
1900-1903

February 1, 1900 PCIO's second downtown location- the newly built Witherspoon Building at Juniper and Walnut Streets. For three years, PCIO occupied the entire south end of the sixth floor with classrooms, clinical facilities and "new and modern laboratories."



1903-1908

The first move from downtown was to 33rd and Arch Streets in the suburban Powelton Village Section of West Philadelphia.



1908-1912

PCIO migrated to yet another site in 1908 in search of more adequate facilities for the growing classes, which would soon start a four year curriculum. The College rented a brownstone house at 1715 North Broad Street.

1912-1916

The city's first osteopathic hospital came to fruition when the College moved into Philadelphia's Society Hill neighborhood at 832 Pine Street. The Osteopathic Hospital of Philadelphia was established in a building at 410 S. 9th Street located around the corner from the college.

1917-1929

Shortly before the United States entered World War I, PCIO moved into new quarters in Philadelphia's Fairmont Section. A successful $60,000 fund-raising campaign enabled the College to purchase, build and equip buildings, including a hospital.

January 24, 1921, PCIO officially changed its name to the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy (PCO)

1929-1972

The objectives of obtaining the new building [at 48th and Spruce] were to grow the student body from 240 to 500, to improve research facilities in the laboratories and to allocate space for a pathological museum.

1973- present

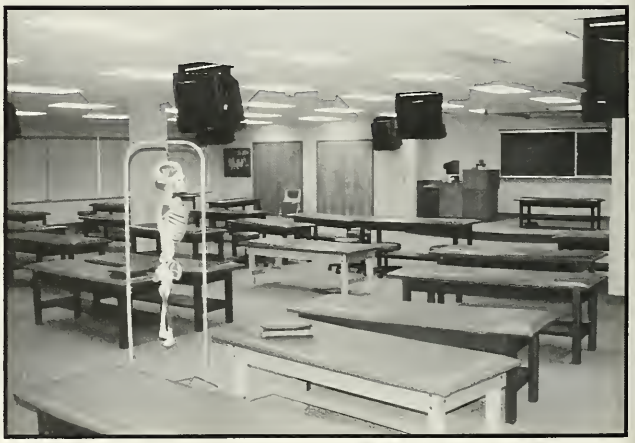
On March 3, 1973, PCOM officially left its home at 48th and Spruce Streets for the modern classroom, laboratory and library building on the City Avenue Campus, although two basic science departments stayed behind until the 1980-1981 academic year.

1982-present

Although the City Avenue campus was envisioned for a larger student body, it could not meet all the space needs for PCOM, which in 1975 had a first-year class of 200. Those students shuttled back and forth between City Avenue and 48th Street, where the Anatomy and Physiological Chemistry Departments remained. A solution to the problem presented itself in the almost empty five-story building adjacent to the campus, located at 4190 City Avenue.

In tandem with the new building, the institution took on a new name advertised in bold letters across the top of 4190: "The Osteopathic Medical Center of Philadelphia." Although the board of trustees adopted the name on June 3, 1980, the official corporate name remained Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. The reason for the name change to OMCP (abandoned for PCOM again in 1990) was to clearly identify the institution as a medical center consisting of the nation's ninth largest medical school, a full-service 250-bed hospital, a school of allied health and four health care centers.

THE PCOM COMMUNITY IN 1999



With most of the campus renovations completed, PCOM has seen the light at the end of the tunnel with its Master Facilities Plan. The beautiful, landscaped campus and redesign of Evans Hall have resulted in a more centralixed campus. The PCOM community eagerly awaits the construction of the Student Activities Center, which will mark the completion of the Master Facilities Plan.

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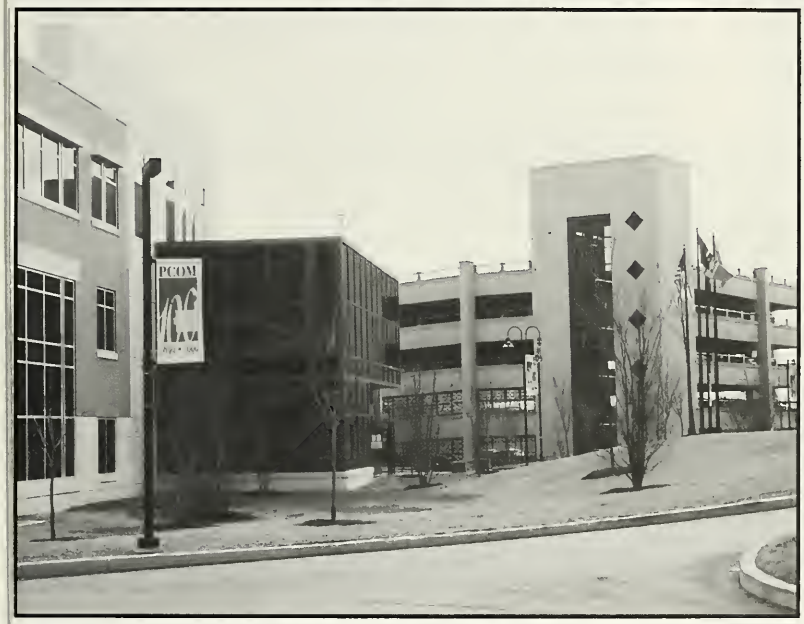
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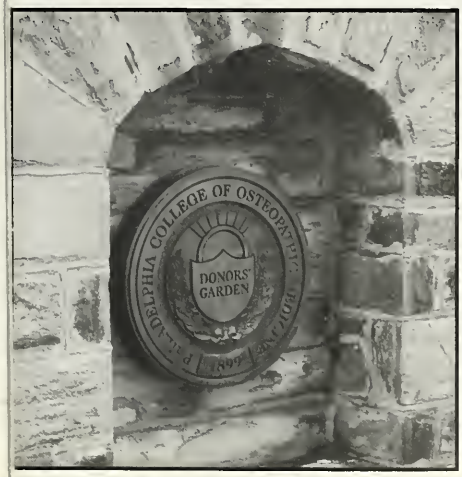
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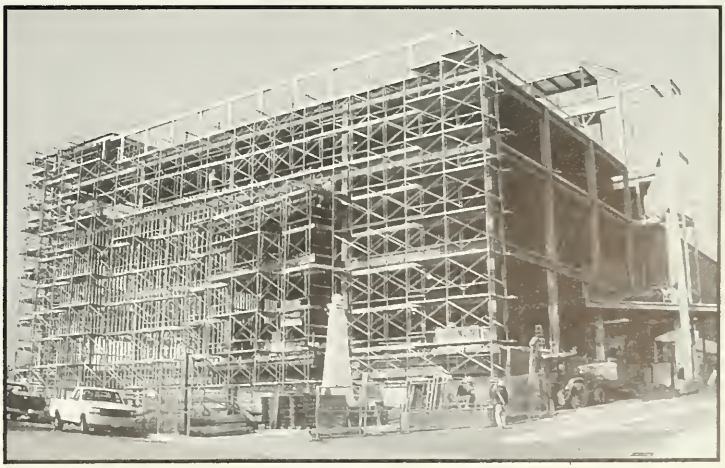
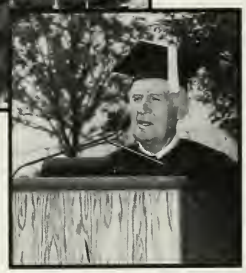


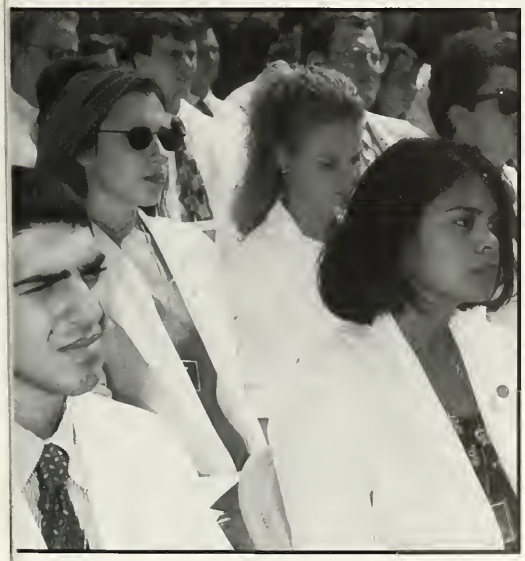
Convocation & Centennial Opening Ceremony

August 24, 1998

This was a very special convocation ceremony at PCOM. Not only did it mark the beginning of the academic year and welcome a new class to the PCOM family, but it was the start of the much-anticipated Centennial celebration.



William A. Rieber, D.O., '41
Funded the Professorial Chair in Osteopathic Principles and Practice "...to make sure OMM is perpetuated at PCOM and to keep the osteopathic medical profession unique...".



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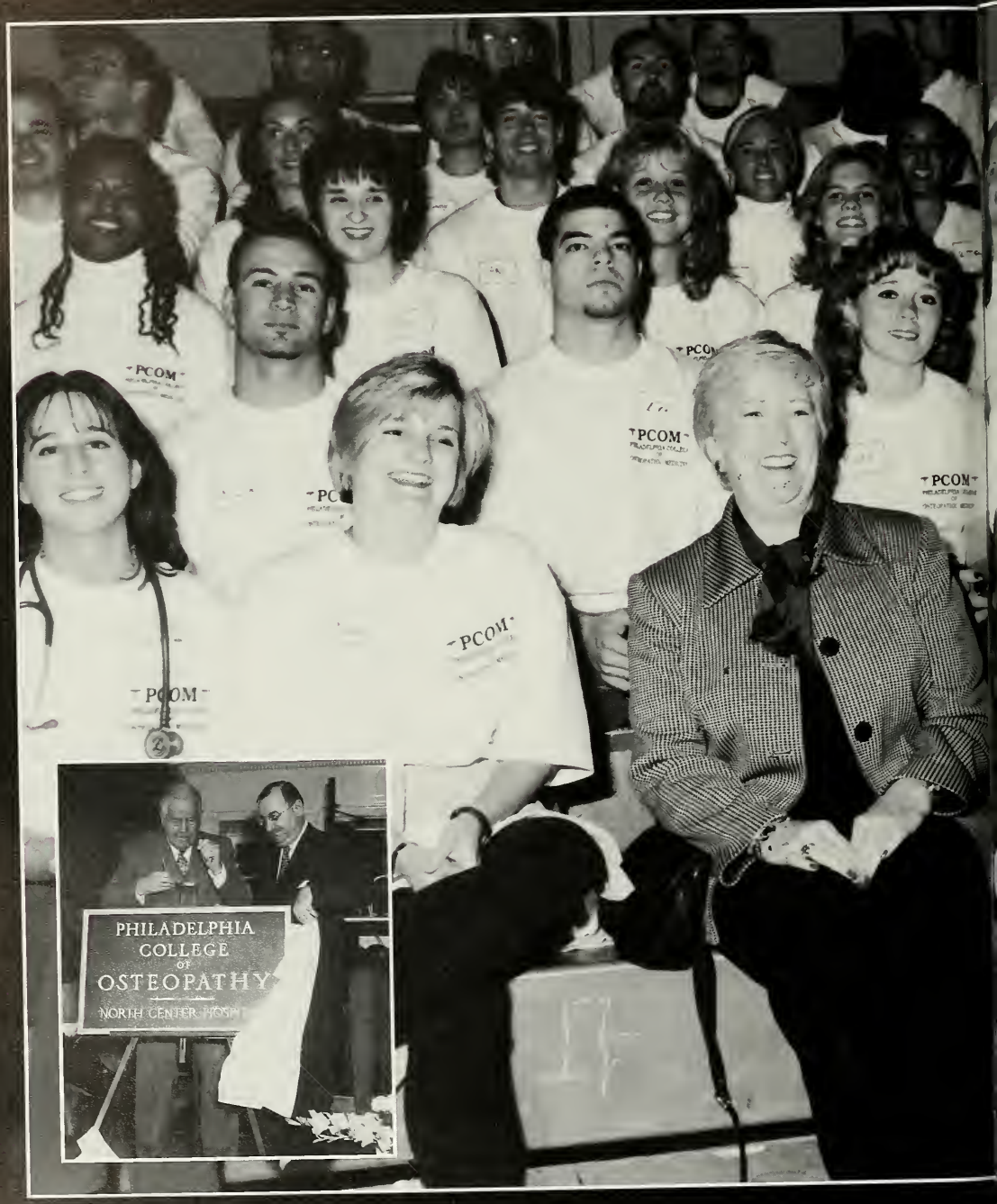
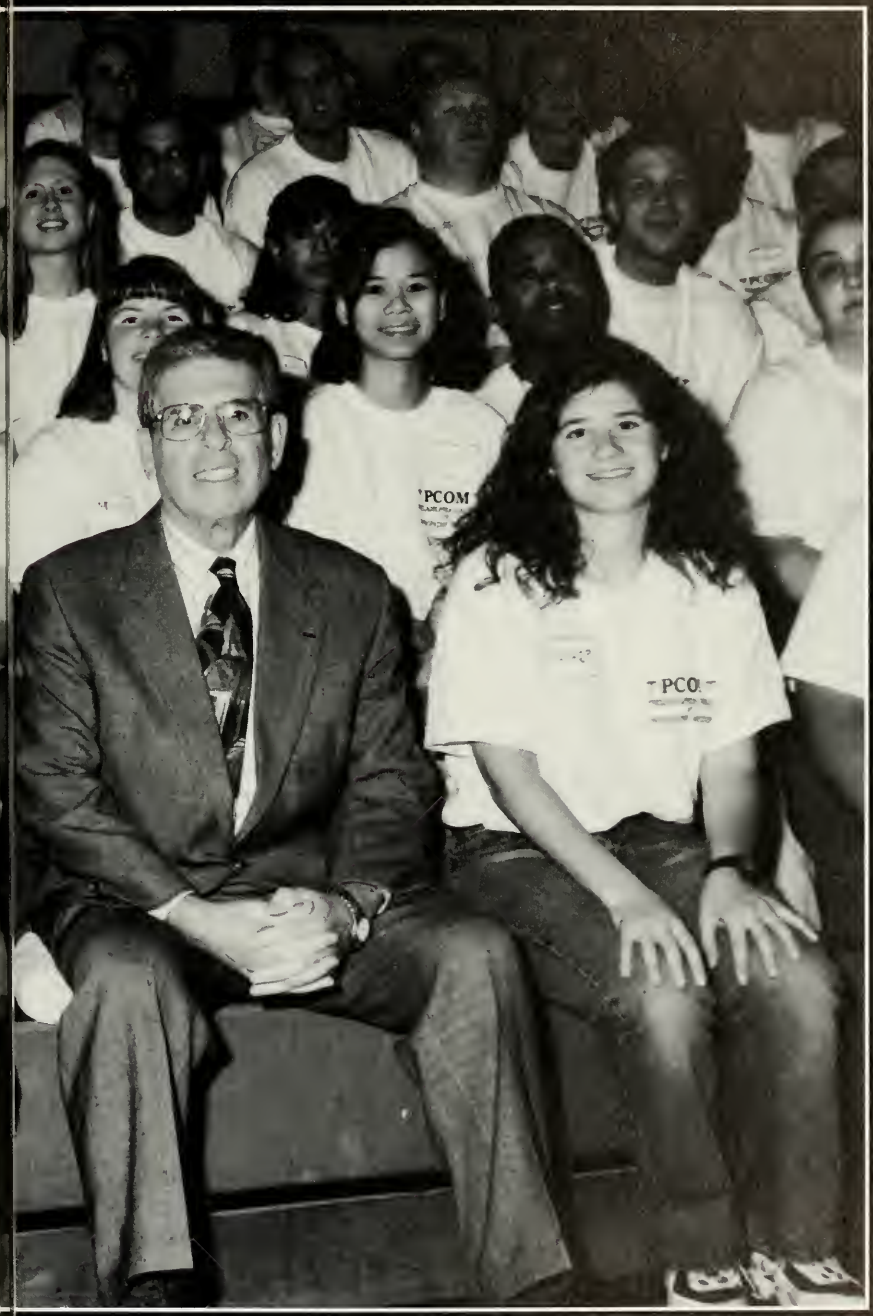
100 Years of Guiding





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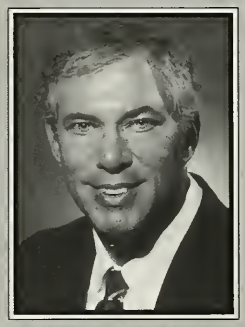

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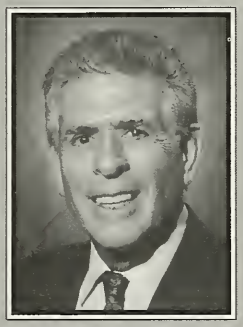

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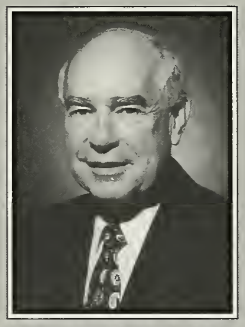

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June 1998

Dear Class of 1999:

Your year is our College's 100th birthday, and you have played a role in its history. You are the 108th graduating class of which I believe is the most prestigious college of osteopathic medicine. Many positive changes have occurred during your four years at PCOM, both in academia and in facilities. As we prepare to enter the 21st Century, you and your alma mater can look forward to an exciting future with many challenges and opportunities.

PCOM has provided you with clinical training in the ambulatory setting far above others. This, along with the osteopathic philosophy regarding the maintenance of health and the prevention of disease, will serve you well. As you embark on the next phase of your career as an osteopathic physician, I know you will serve our profession well.

As a member of the PCOM Family, you are always welcome, and encouraged, to return and take advantage of what our beautiful campus has to offer. Wherever your career path leads, remember you will always be part of our PCOM Family and our best wishes go with you.

Congratulations upon receiving your Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree. My hope is that you will enjoy the great satisfaction that this wonderful profession, osteopathic medicine, provides and that each of you will achieve your goals.

Fraternally,

Leonard H. Finkelstein DO

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Dear Colleagues,

"Hear ye, hear ye, all who enter these halls, if you do not have compassion ... turn back now..." On a hot, sticky August day almost four years ago, the class of 1999 listened to that call from Dr. Emmanuel Fliegelman. By choosing to enter Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine that day, you joined a tradition that began in a two-room suite in a downtown Philadelphia office building in 1899. As the Dean of PCOM, I can assure you I have been most impressed with your answer to that call. During the course of your education you have faced new and complicated challenges – from finding a way through the construction into Evans Hall to singing in radiology lectures to answering questions during grand rounds - with curiosity, enthusiasm and sometimes even correct answers. I am unceasingly impressed by your willingness to become one another's teachers. I know your most important discoveries about medicine and about yourselves do not happen in a lecture hall or even during formal grand rounds. You have given each other examples of what it means to be responsible, compassionate, and to uphold the highest ideals of the medical profession.

During graduation, the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine will formally grant you the privilege of being called doctor. However, remember there is no single moment when one becomes a doctor. Your class – both collectively and individually - earned this privilege in the midst of your daily struggles and outstanding accomplishments. Somewhere between nervously entering the anatomy laboratory, spending long hours in the library, donning the white coat, and carefully listening to a patient, you all became doctors.

I sincerely hope that you will remember and cherish your experiences within the hallways of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Thank you for allowing me to become part of your experience – it is an opportunity for which I will always be grateful. As you continue your journey down the halls of medicine, know that there are countless others who await your energy, sensitivity, and dedication. Serve them well. We will miss you.

I wish you, the Class of 1999, all the congratulations that each of you so rightfully deserves. Enjoy fully the privilege of answering the challenge extended to you by our never to be forgotten friend, Manny Fliegelman.

Fraternally yours,

Kenneth J. Veit, DO

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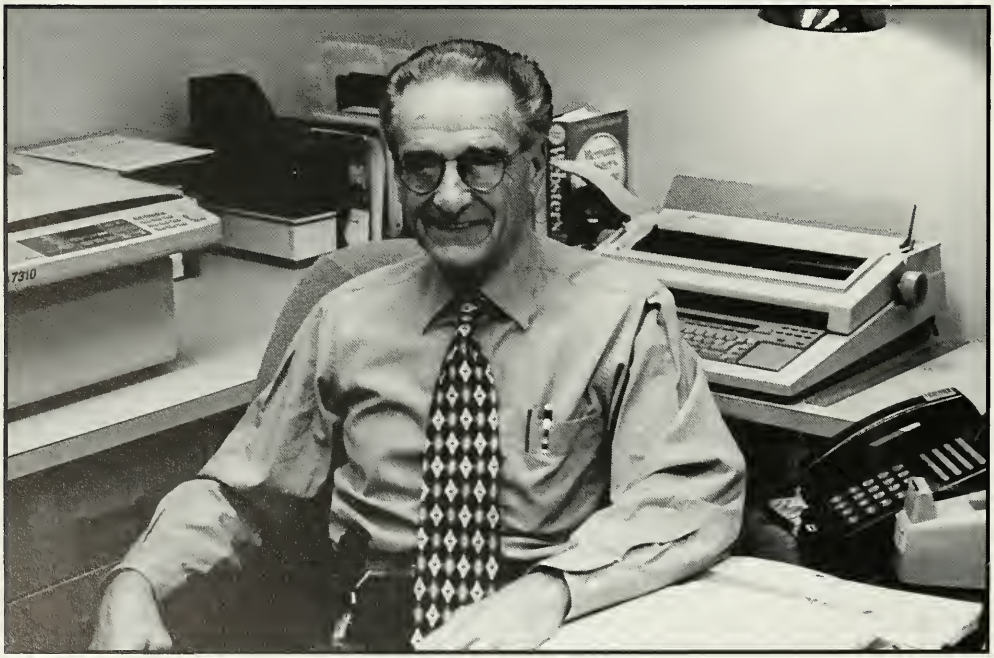

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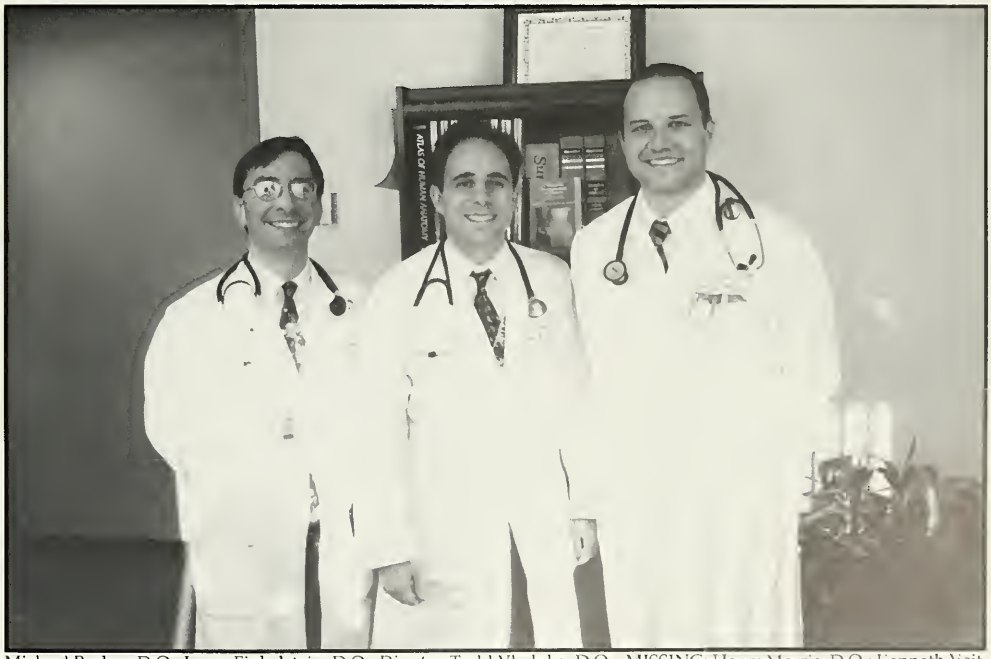

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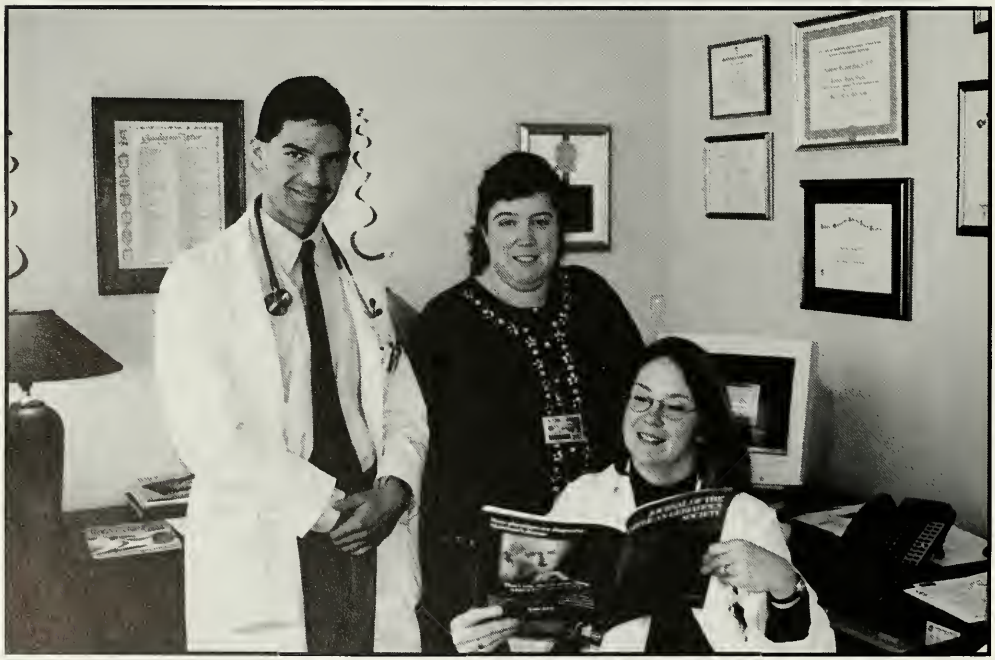

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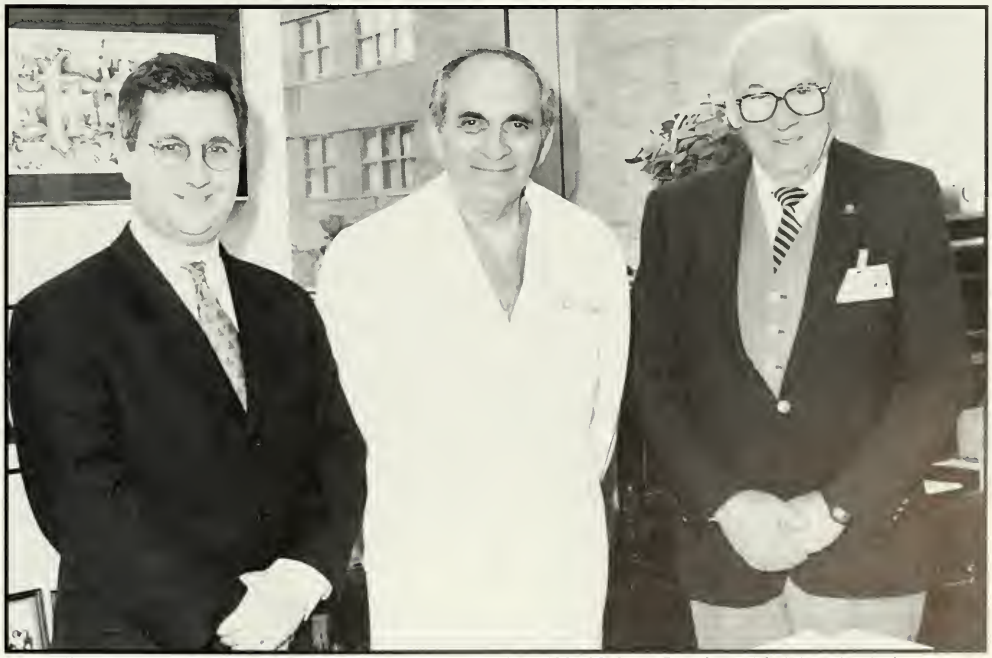

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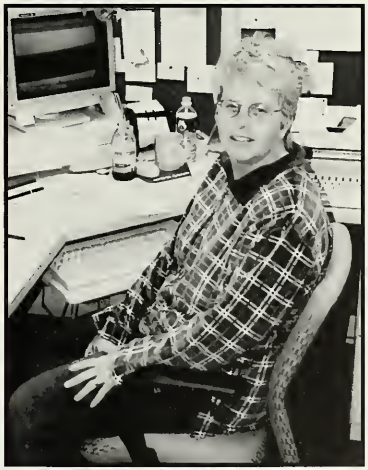

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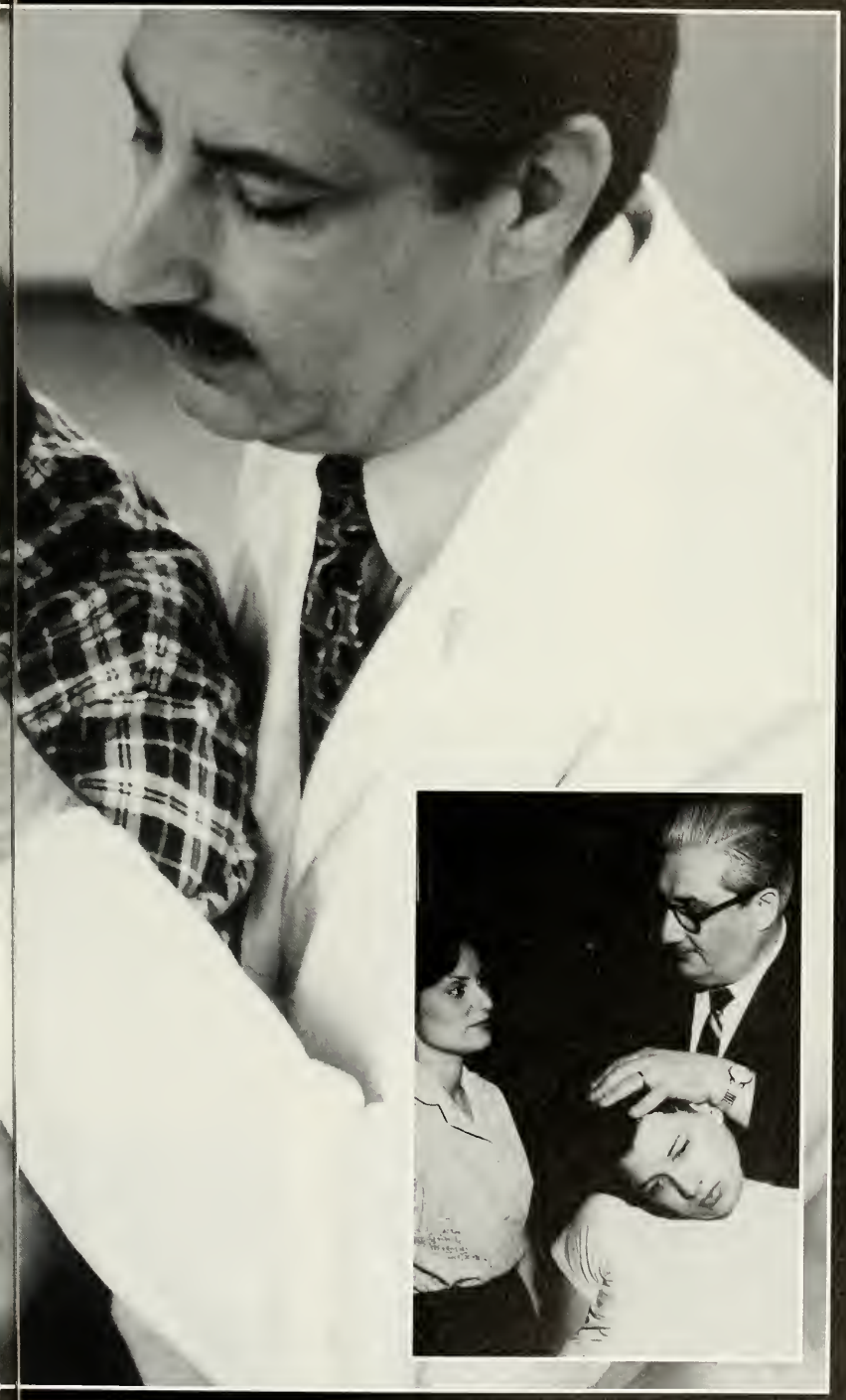

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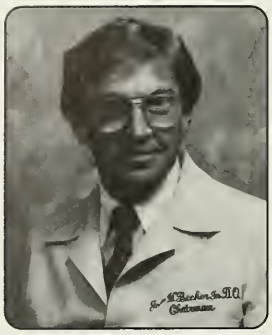

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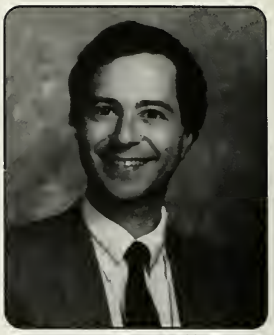

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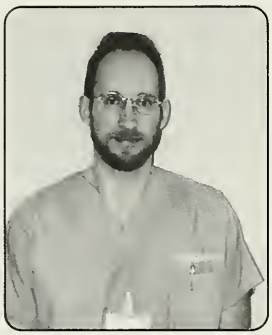

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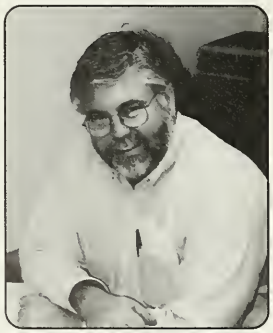

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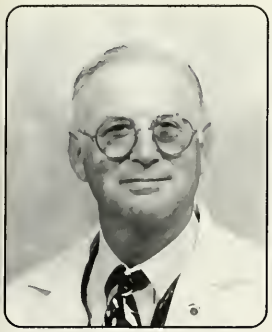

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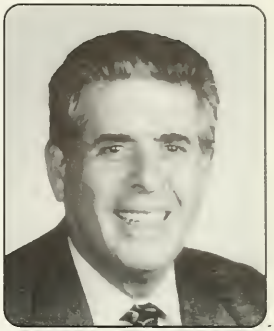

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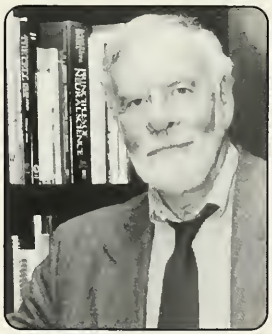

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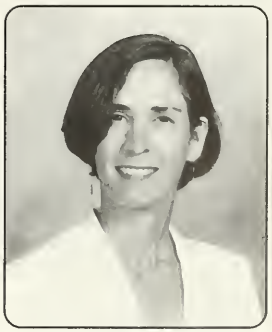

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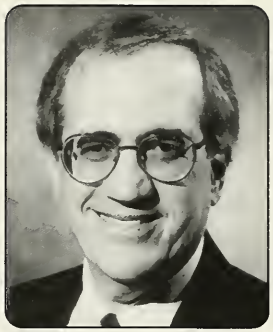

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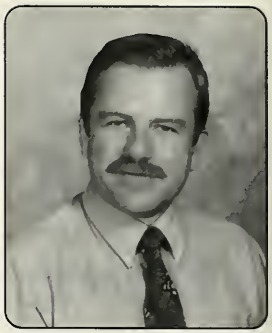

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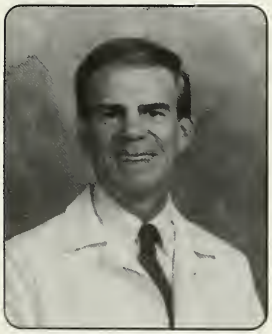

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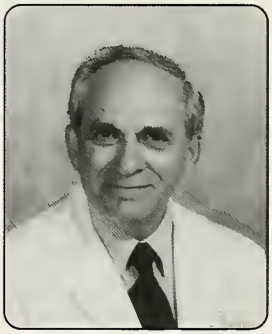

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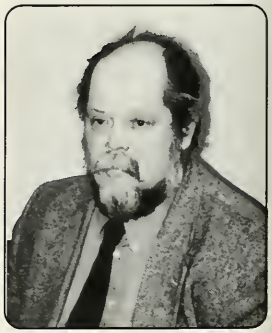

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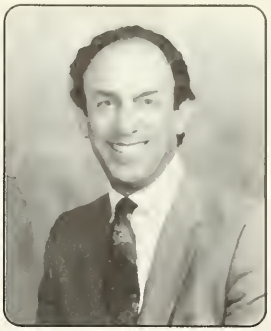

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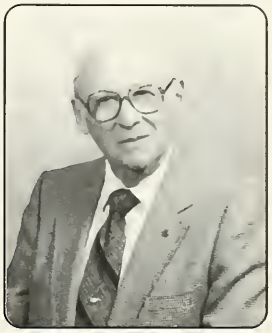

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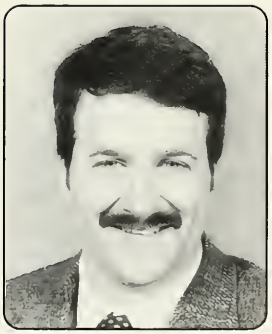

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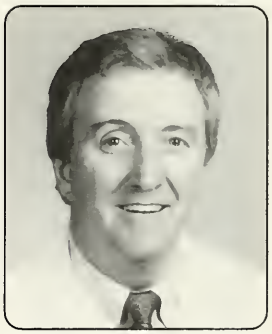

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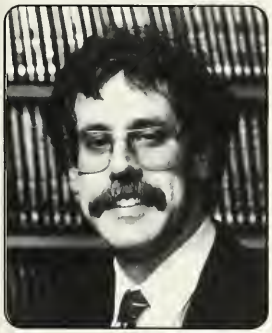

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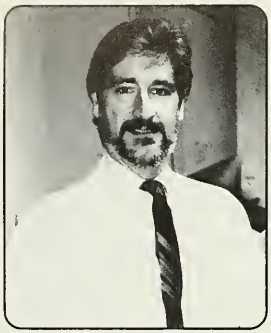

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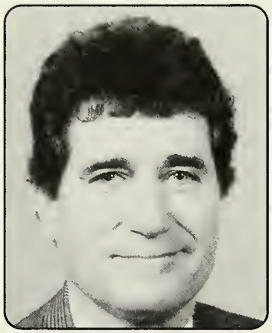

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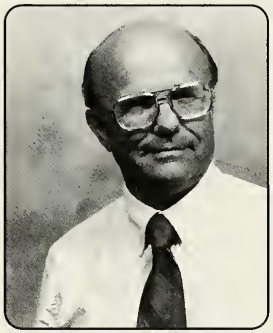

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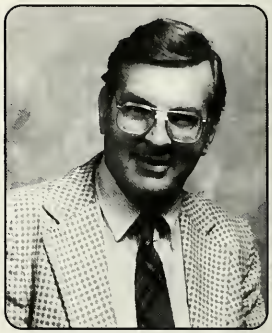

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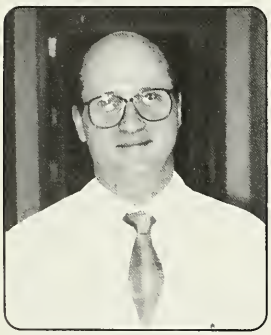

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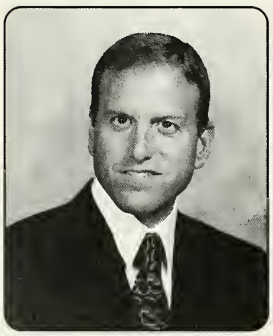

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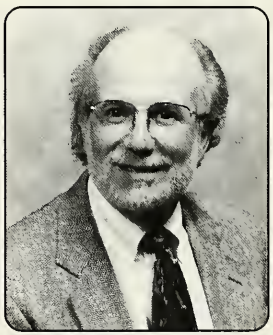

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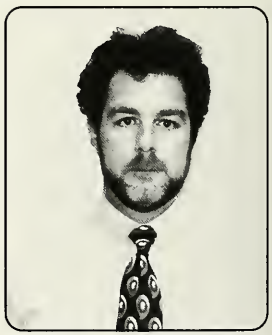

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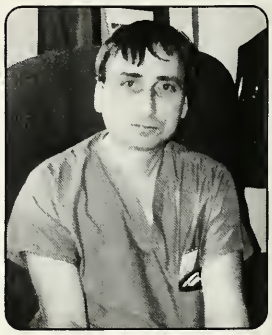

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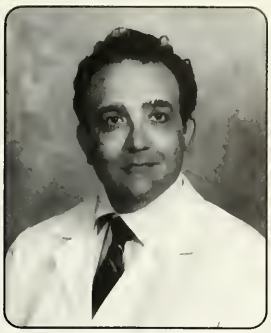

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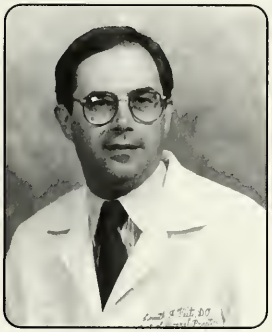

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Rosemary Vickers, D.O.

pediatrics

Barbara Williams, D.O.

cambria hcc

Nancie Wolfe, Ph.D.

psychology

Galen Young, Sr., D.O.

omm

House Calls

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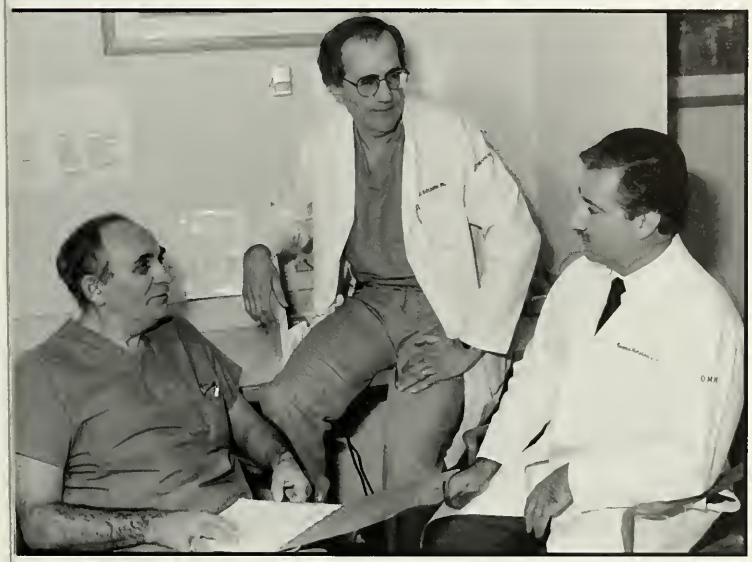
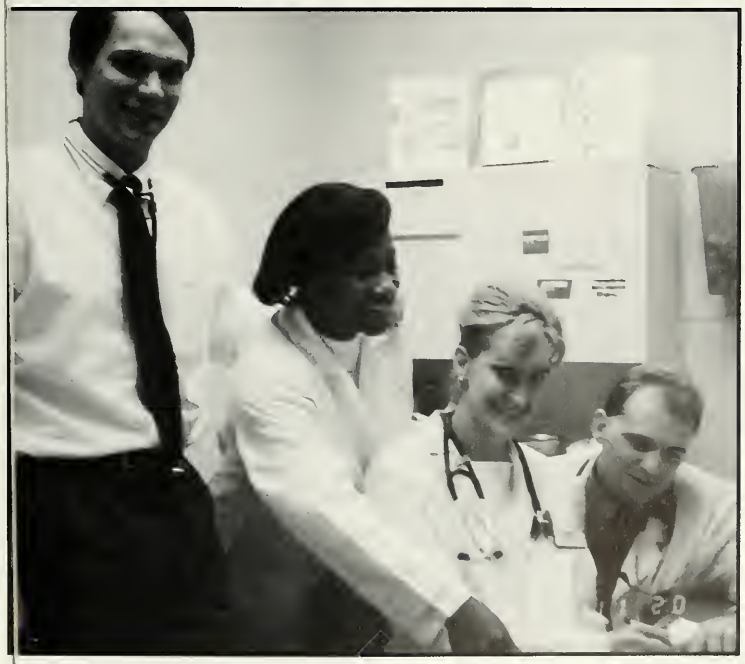
KANTOR CURLEY
Pediatric Associates, P.C.

PCOM's Class of 1999
Thanks each and every one
who has contributed to our education
in the classroom and in the clinic





100 Years of Contributing

ORGANIZATIONS

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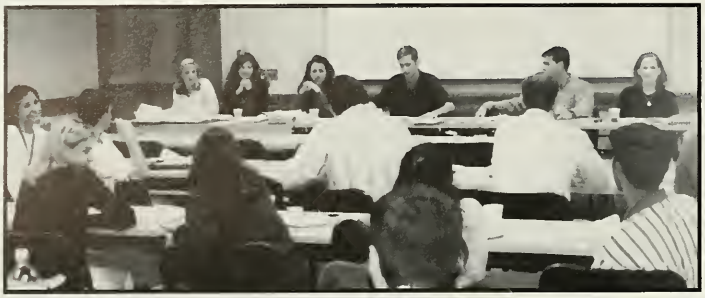

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1998-1999

PSR

Physicians for Social Responsibility

A capella

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Pathology Club

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Women's Rugby

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ACOFP

American College of Osteopathic Family Practitioners

Geriatrics Club

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Jewish Physicians' Network

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UAAO

Undergraduate American Academy of Osteopathy

Men's Soccer

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Synapsis 1999

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Internal Medicine Club

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AMOPS

Association of Military Osteopathic Physicians & Surgeons

Sigma Sigma Phi

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SSA

Student Associates Auxiliary

Men's Rugby

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AMWA

American Medical Women's Association

SOMA

Student Osteopathic Medical Association

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics Club

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Roller Hockey Club

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Phi Sigma Gamma

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Basketball Club

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CIAO

Community of Italian American Osteopaths

Public Health Club

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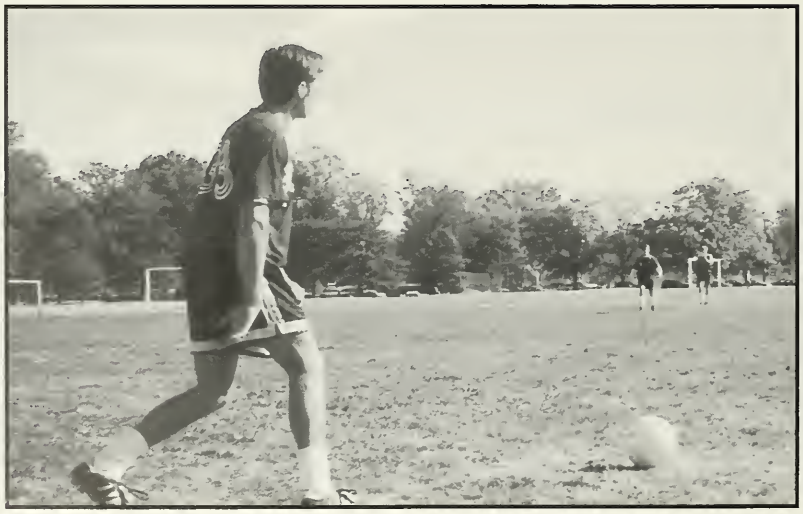
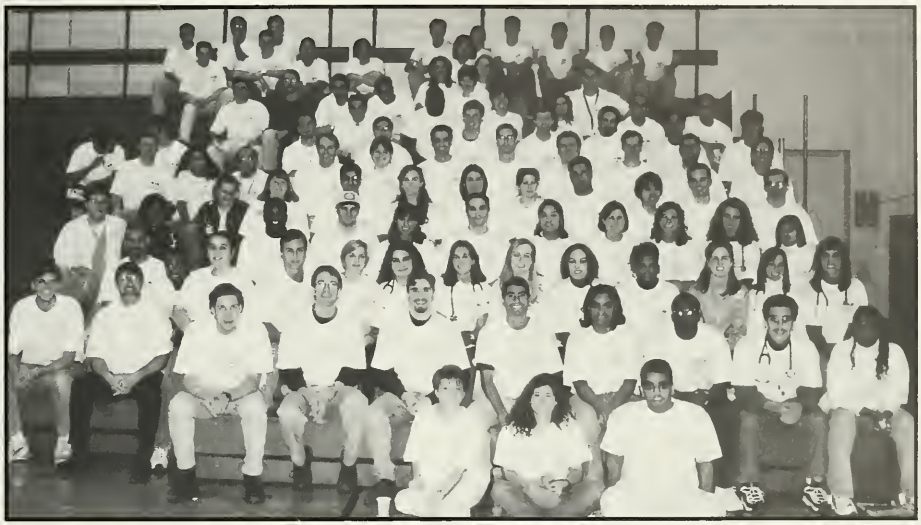
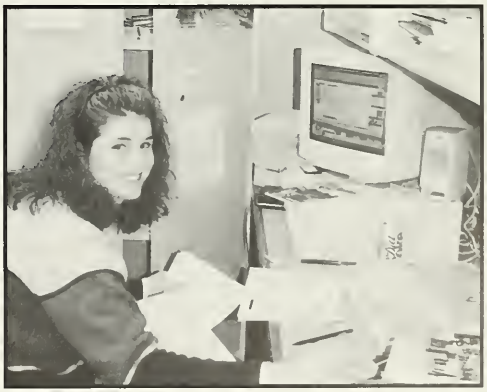
BAKE SALE
Happy
Halloween!

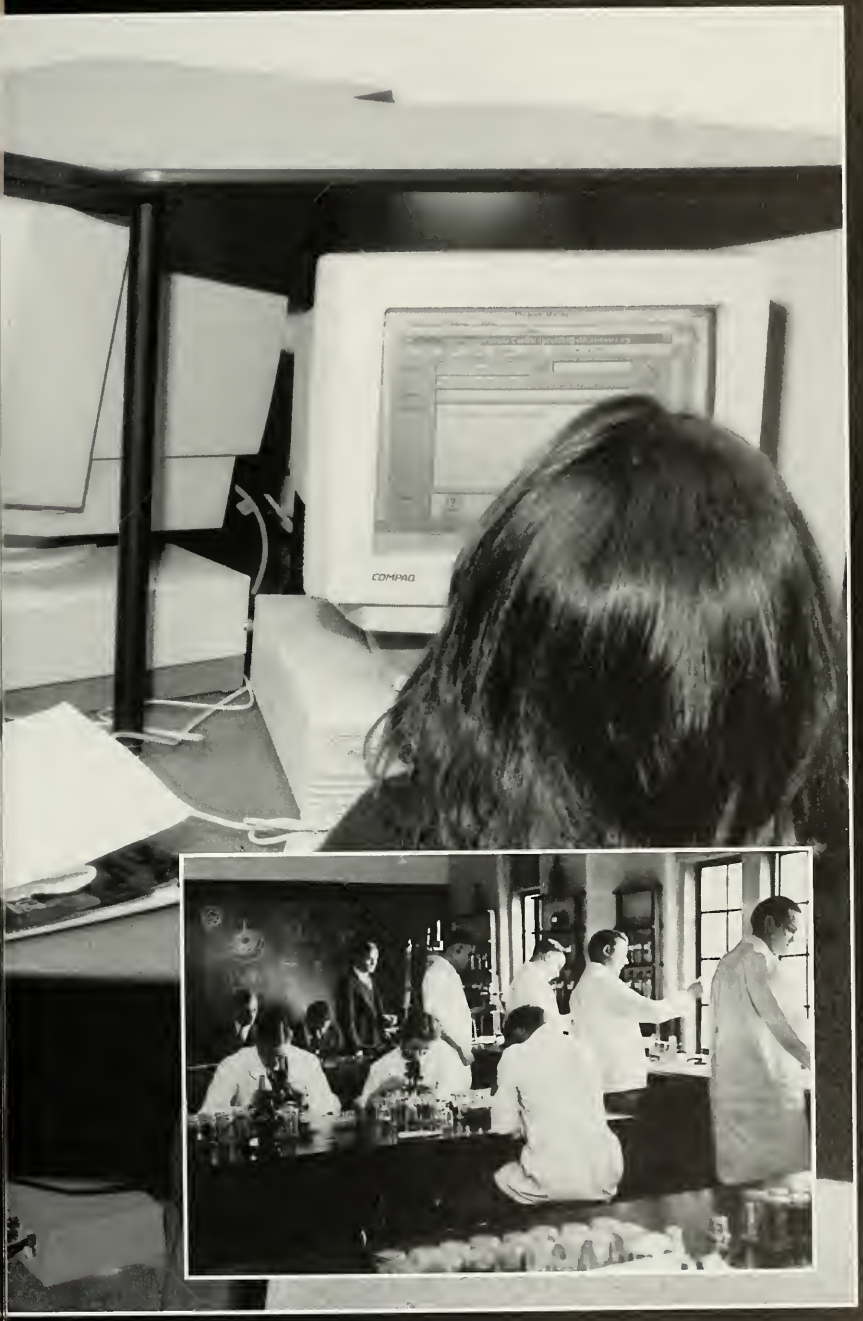






100 Years of Discovering

STUDENT LIFE



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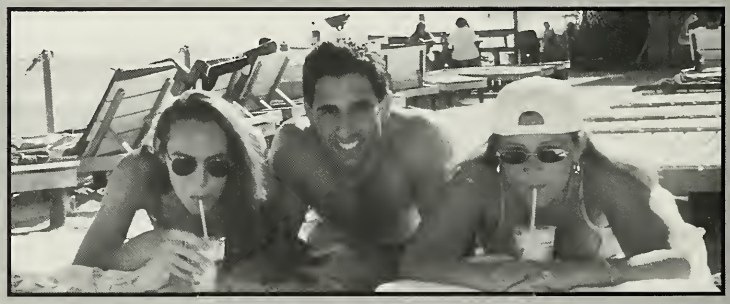
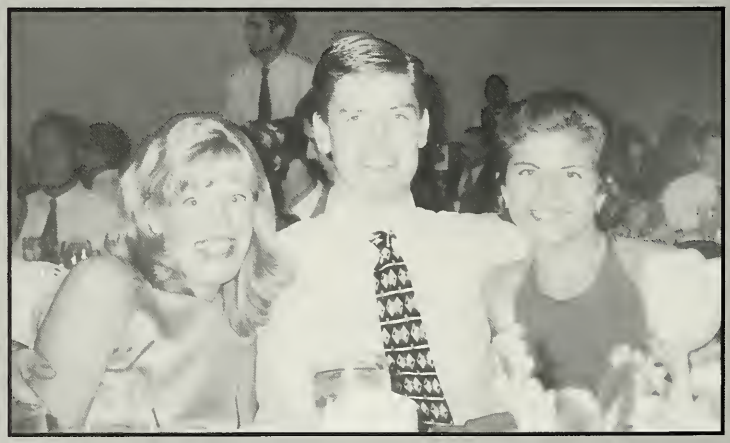
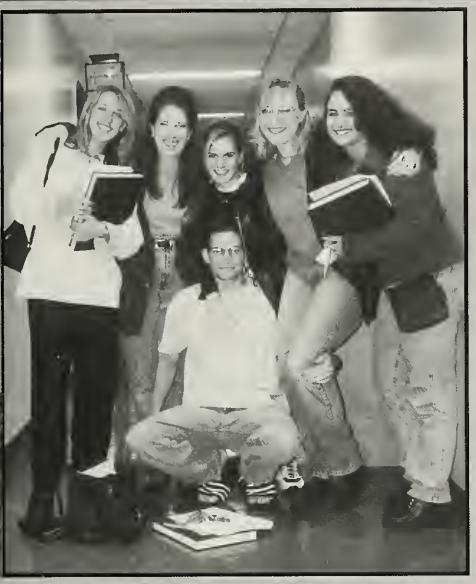






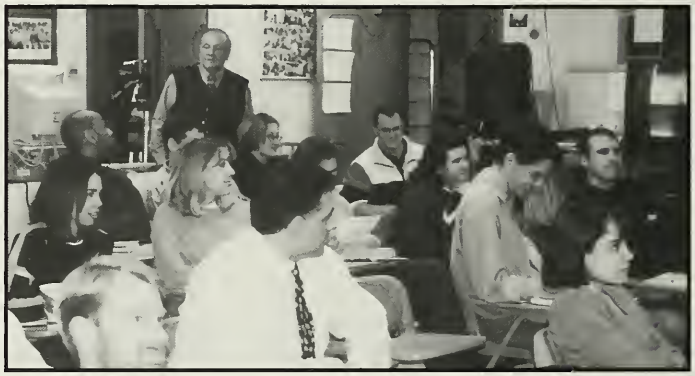
Student Life

Class of 2000

Dr. Misischia and his ophthalmology proteges

Go Heidi!

Just Married !!!



ENGAGED -- Congratulations Laurie and Tony!

All decked out for PCOM Prom 1998

Joe and Krista -- the french fry monsters

Class of 2000

Great field trip, Dad!

Glad you guys have a back-up career

Jamie: closet vampire?

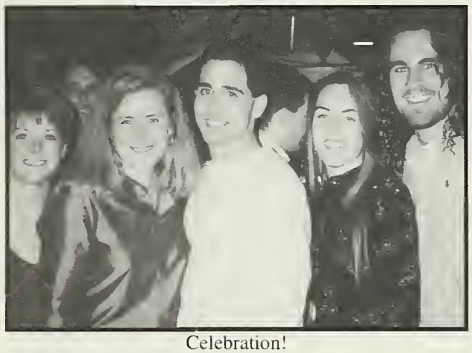
No peeking!

Someone up there is ACLS certified. RIGHT???

Another 3rd year couple!

Class of 2000

Stag at PCOM Prom???



Celebration!

Six rotations down, six to go!!

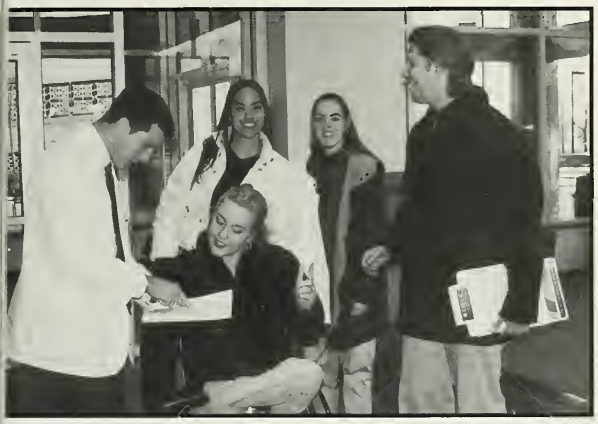
Can't get enough of those fish heads, eh Loren?

Cheers!

Class of 2000

You realize it's forever?

Who's gonna sing a little diddy?

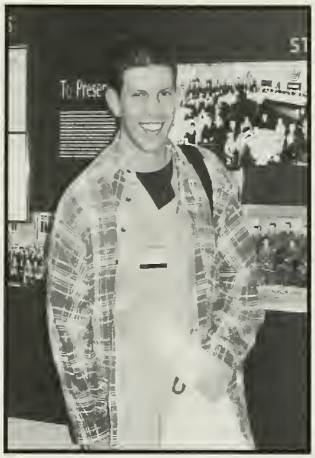


Just what Dr. Meals needs!

Looking good

Girls night out at Marrakesh

Class of 2000



Halloween flashback

PCOM Boys: Chug Champions of the booze cruise!

A new Siskel and Ebert??

Amy's night job!

Jesse sure looks happy

Class of 2000

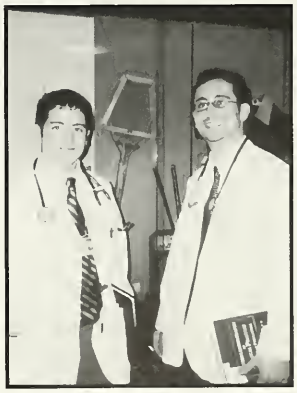
Dinner in Puerto Vallarta

We LOVE Mexico in February!!!

The gang's all here!

Jesse and her boys

Chippendales -- here we come....



Best Friends

Class of 2001

PCOM Prom lovely's

Tough guys

Want to join my tribe?

End of year party!

Doug admires Mike's defensive stance

Can I join your league?

Very 80's

Ladies in uniform

Class of 2001

Girls weekend away

Halloween bash at Phi Sig

VERY Creative -- looks like NSR

Made it through first year!

What did you guys do to earn ALL those???

Having a good time!

Class of 2001

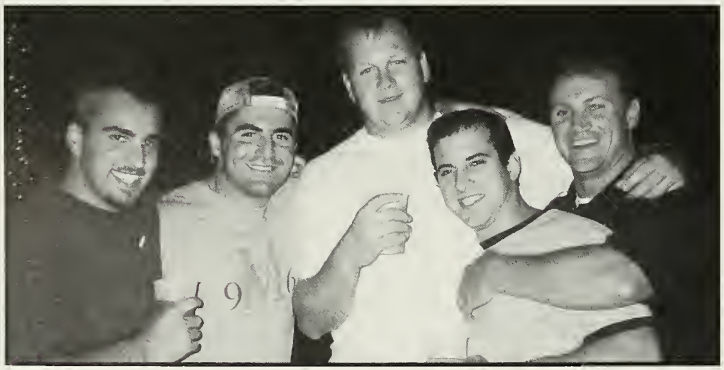
A little too much partying, boys?

Dancing the night away

Go Lions!!!

Yep, the taps working

Tailgating


Male bonding

Not man enough for motorcycles, boys???

Enjoying Philly nightlife

Class of 2001

Friends

You're gonna blow a vein!!

This is the life!

Ready to go?

2nd year football supporters

Study Break!

Not in public, man!

Heather's first rectal

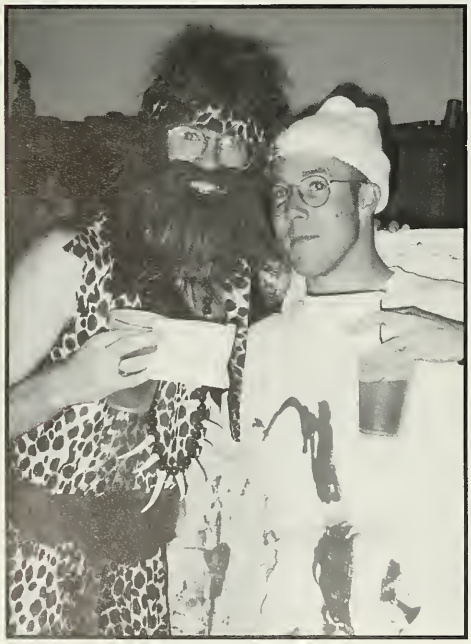
Class of 2001

"Young man....."

Wild night, eh???

2nd year wine & cheese soiree

Deepak's Bachelor Party



Who's the Caveman?

What a gang!

Class of 2001

Having fun

Hanging out

McShay's in Narberth

Scott and his fan club

Par-tay!

2nd year champs of the '98 football game

Class of 2002

Look! Dr. Bromke has students undivided attention

Third annual white coat ceremony!

Enjoying a Phi Sig party

What a trio!

Going shopping?

Class of 2002

Thanksgiving dinner

Party on the field

HELP!!

Dinner with friends

Class of 2002

Making friends

Anatomy table #5 field trip to Friday's

First day of class

Looking pretty

Dressed up for dinner

Class of 2002

Happy Thanksgiving!

Fruit cocktail for all!

Want some dip?

Say "Cheese"

Table 27 is all about JELLO!

Class of 2002

Cheers!

Gotta love being put on the spot during the orientation tour

The usual orientation day chaos

Can we get this show on the road?

Picnicing

Class of 2002

Post exam relaxation

First years in awe of Dr. Meal's radiology class

It's Monica and Bill!

Don't spill any on those new white coats!!

PCOM's

Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences

Class of 2000

Michele Bafile
Vincenzo Balsamo
Joshua Baron
Jarrid Bernhardt
Nathan Brought
Christopher Cavallaro
James Craig
Carl Della Badia
Theresa DiSandro
Richard Donlick
Jaime Etchberger
Alexander Gaitanis
Mark Ginsburg
Michal Gostkowski
Salvatore Grimaldi
Cindy Hamilton
Timothy Harrison
Michael Hubbard
Kimberly Johnson
Cara Judd
David Kenny
Rabia Khalid
Karen Komsisky
Jason Kwak
Thomas Lee
Bryan Machamer
Raymond Maguire
Jennifer Malsbury
David Mayne
Helen McCarthy
John McMahon
Demetri Menegos
Joshua Millstein
Dolly Mishra
Michael Monte Carlo
Christopher Morse
Crystal Neumeister
Nishith Patel
Melissa Platz
Christopher Poggi
Kevin Price
David Sarknas
Brian Shinkle
Robert Sidwa
Troy Simpson
Heidi Slurzberg
Robert Strony
Monica Tard
John Taylor
Chi Truong
Eric Vaichunas
Michael White
Marc Willis
Sai-Kit Wong

Masters
Class of 2000

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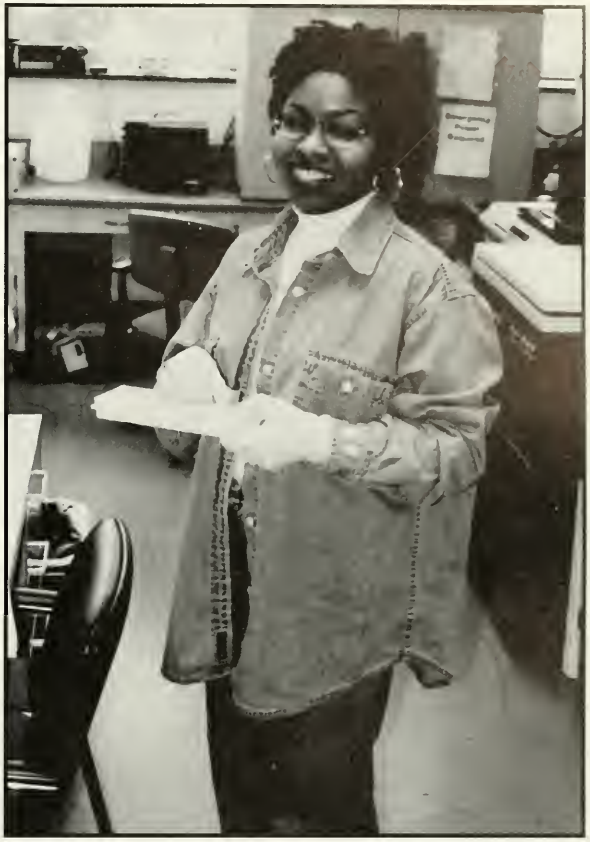
PCOM's

Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences

Class of 1999

Avidon Appel
Luke Chetlen
Deidre Day
Alex Eisen
Ross Feld
Jeffrey Kiki
Apolonio Lirio
Christine Lopez
Renita Oglesby
Ameet Parikh
Peter Sarkos
Ronald Savarese
Rashad Wilkerson

Masters
Class of 2000



Physician Assistant

PA instructors extraordinaire.

Introducing the PA class of 2000

Introducing... Anatomy boy!

Buddies

Is it vacation time yet??

Kiss the cooks!

Physician Assistant

We clean up pretty well, don't we?

Eat your hearts out, men!

Class clowns?

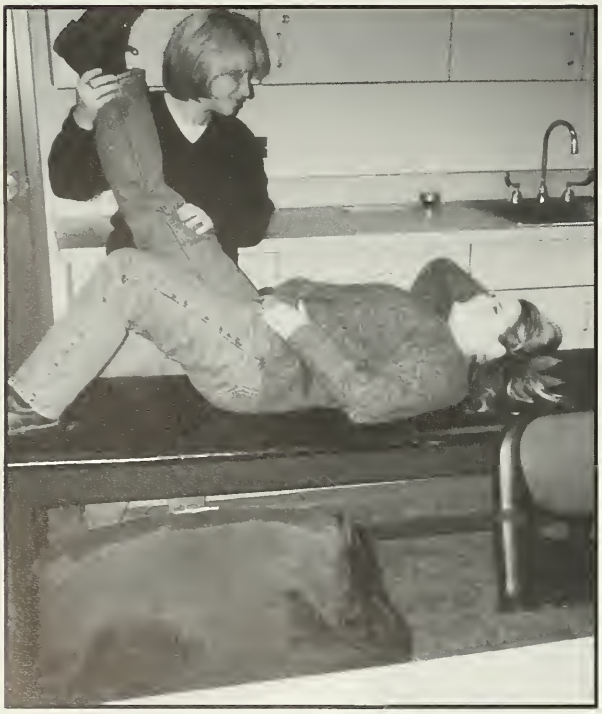
Here's to new engagements!

Buddies.

Research DESIGN and Methodology

Physician Assistant

Wanna buy a t-shirt?



This isn't supposed to tickle!

The only way to go is up

Ow! My platysma froze

Mmm. jelly rings!!!

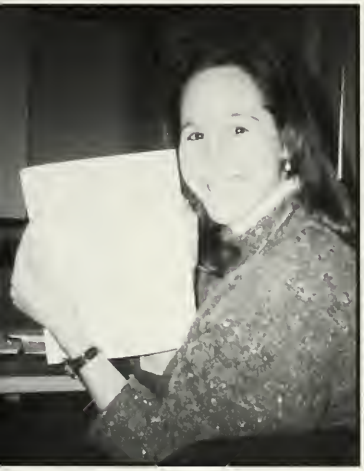
Physician Assistant

Splanchnic!!

De-stressing at Fat Edna's

"Muh honey"

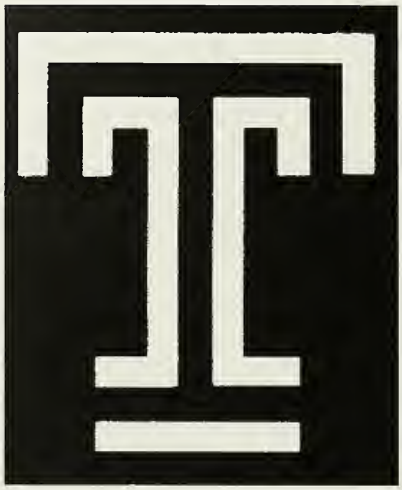
Teamwork



Look how many teeth I have!

PA Day celebration

D.O./M.P.H.



Temple University

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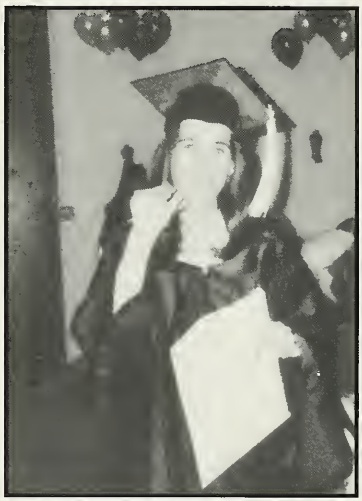
Maria Joan Hoertz



Stephanie Amanda Santoro

May 22, 1997
Maria Joan Hoertz, M.P.H.
Stephanie Amanda Santoro, M.P.H.

Congratulations to Howard Goldstein for completion of his M.P.H. degree in 1998.

D.O./M.B.A.

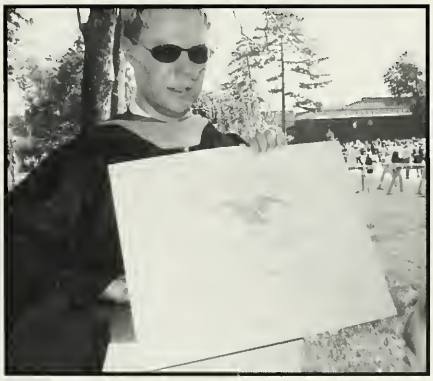
The D.O./M.B.A. program offers future physicians the opportunity to gain the business management expertise needed to complement their medical training to successfully run a private practice or manage in a health care setting. Students complete five years of study in a special joint degree program at PCOM in affiliation with Saint Joseph's University leading to the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and the Master of Business Administration.

Saint Joseph's University

May 17, 1997

Priyesh Thakkar, M.B.A.
Jonathan Hackenyos, M.B.A.

Troy Frazer, M.B.A.



M.B.A. Class of 1998

John DiMuro
Stefan Franciosa
Michael Orris
Eileen Simak
Italo Subbarao

M.B.A. Class of 1999

Mark Burne
Jehrib Cabarlo
T.J. Gray
Michael Krafchick
T. Casey McCullough
Melissa Sheehan
Jason Vieder

100 Years of Achieving

Seniors

Class of 1999
Our 4%
of the century

The Pledge of an Osteopathic Physician

I am grateful that I have been admitted to the Class of 1999. I am ready to enter this noblest of professions and take upon myself the obligation of becoming a caring physician. I shall try to learn Anatomy, Pathology, Cardiology, Urology and Gynecology. My primary goal will be to develop my sense of humanity and compassion, along with the scientific facts presented to me by the faculty.

I pledge my willingness to help my classmates and fellow students whenever there is a need.

When I graduate four years hence, I hope to have accomplished these aims and make those who have extended themselves proud of me.

All Ye Who Enter Here....

...pause and remember that you are entering a profession that depends on your understanding of human compassion. If you feel you are unable, for whatever reason, to lend emotional support to human beings, then turn around and go away.

Norman Cousins
Emanuel Fliegelman, D.O.

August 1995

- I got to pursue my dream – accepted into PCOM – I left my job in a hurry!

24 Orientation begins for the Class of 1999.

The characteristics of a good physician
Caring
Compassion
Competence
Concerned
Considerate
Capable — Emanuel Fliegelman, DO

24 Paul Cowan & Fred Jaffe are personally handed Acceptance Letters by Carol Fox in Ginsburg Auditorium.

24 Orientation party thrown at the River Deck Café – sets the tone for the next two years.

FIRST YEAR-TERM I
November 27, 1995 – February 23, 1996

Anatomy	21 credits
Histology	5
Emergency medicine	5
TOPPS	3
OPP	3
Pathology	2
	39

We buy the required and most of the recommened books = 661.85

28 Our first medical school lecture – Introduction to MCBM by Dr. Mochan.

28 Dr. Nicholas' OMM lecture ("Layer by Layer Palpation") ....attendance is at an all time high.

29 Dr. Gimpel = TOPPS (still, not sure what that stands for).

31 First OMM lab – no one wanted to touch each other, let alone go shirtless – we didn't know anyone!

September 1995

6 Cal Ripken, Jr. plays in 2131 consecutive baseball game, breaking Lou Gehrig's record of 2130 consecutive games.

7 Kazdan and Jaffe decide to sit together in lecture...class will never be the same again.

8 Adele Tayoun met Jason Kindt and has been smiling ever since.

13 After scribing Dr. Pease's "Formation of Endogenous Fuel Stores" lecture, John Tortu resigns from scribe service.

20 Ginsburg Auditorium dedication.

21 Our first bout with Biostats/Epidemiology with Dr. Kovach.

22 Dr. Fogel reminds us that Pathology is not a correspondence course.

28 Mike Oakes and Dave Johnson discover Pitcher's Pub.

October 1995

1 Tabatha Jeffers elected class chairperson – it had nothing to do with the sweater she was wearing, right guys?

3 Los Angeles jury finds O.J. Simpson not guilty of murder charges.

13 Dave Johnson receives his first set of buckteeth.

15 Andrew Raider passes out in Dr. Mochan's lecture ...Do you know CPR...Call 911.

28 PCOM participates in Walktoberfest and helps raise money for the American Diabetes Assoc.

29 Janie Orrington marries Benjamin Myers III in GA.

30 Mike Oakes and Fran Quigley become known as "Frick & Frack."

November 1995

4 Israel Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is slain by Jewish extremist at peace rally.

6 Osi shares his "masturbation as an 8 year old" story with 250 of his closest friends during Human Sexuality debate.

FIRST YEAR-TERM II
November 27, 1995 – February 23, 1996

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OPP	3
Pathology	2
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27 The new Anatomy Lab is revealed following a ribbon cutting ceremony.

27 Dr. Becher tells class of '99 to use Tabatha as liaison since he doesn't want to be bothered by "stupid questions"!

28 Member of Class of 1999 asks Dr. Becher first stupid question.

28 John Spitalieri unveils his orange anatomy jumpsuit.

29 Dr. Coughlin introduces us to his "Bag of Bones".

December 1995

4 Class of 1999 bids farewell to Rebecca Saltzberg – ALOHA!

7 Dr. DiLullo lectures us on the forearm (for the first time).

18 Class of 1999 takes an incredibly easy CPR certification exam (easy, that is, if you bothered to check your scribe notes the night before).

19 A member of the Class, who didn't think the test was so "easy," complains to the department head.

20 This classmate decides to call up the AHA.

21 AHA calls up department head , department head assures AHA that what he has in store for the Class of 1999 would outweigh their punishment.

22 Class of 1999 is laughing stock.

January 1996

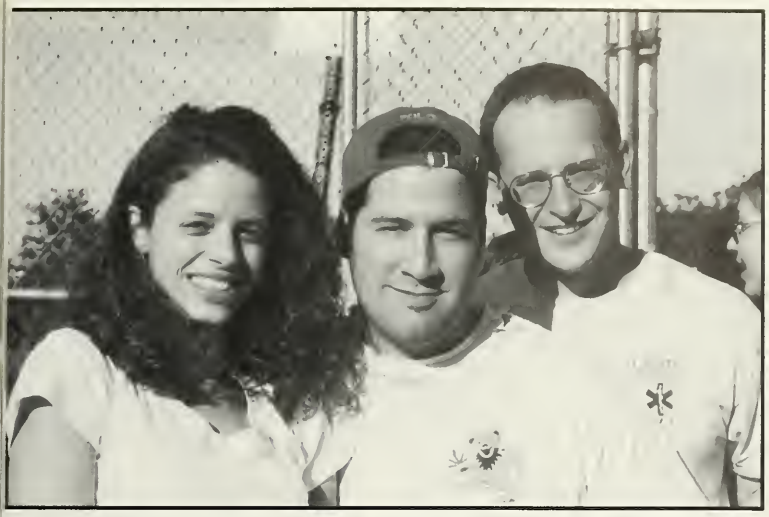
1 Mike Oakes breaks Becky Souder's camera in attempt to remove blackmail photos.

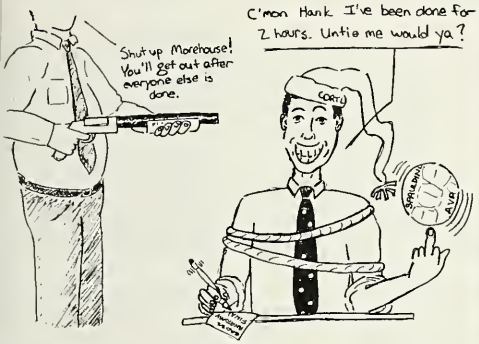
2 Blizzard of the Century paralyzes East Coast for 6 days, PCOM closes for 2 days, Class of 1999 – lab on the ear is cancelled.

7 Dave Cavannaugh and Todd Kazdan perform the "ask a question" and " I have absolutely no idea" skit for the class in Histology lab.....Mindy George laughs.

Can you match the Lecturer with the Quote?

Dr. Kornberg	- "D's = D.O."
Dr. Meals	- "I don't want stupid questions!"
Dr.Becker	- "There is nothing worse than a loose vagina"
Dr. Fliegelman	- "The lady in the back with the ponytail" (unknowingly referring to John Verrechio)
Dr. Kenney	- "tell me what you see in the bird cage"
Dr. Coughlin	- "bradycardia is exactly like tachycardia except slower"





⑭ First path exam - a week later Dr. Fogel vows to never use back test questions again following the protest of a couple of our classmates – Class of 1999 continues to make great impression on faculty.

⑮ Written CPR *retest* and Written E-med Mid-term – Dr. Becker shows his appreciation for us.

⑯ Mike Oakes and Jeanne brave 5-Points for the first time.

⑯ Randall Lucas Shelley willing to sample "seetbread" for $100.00

⑱ First Class ski trip to Killington.

㉖ Dr. D'Alonzo- 42nd D.J. Snyder Memorial medal recipient.

㉘ Super Bowl XXX Dallas 27 – Pittsburgh 17 (Matt Liebentritt hosts wild-ass Super Bowl party).

㉚ Nothing like spewing human feces with a handsaw – "Marge" wouldn't have been happy, huh Amy?

February 1996

❶ Dr. Shank invites us during anatomy lab to come up front and perfrom our first pelvic exam– 40 accept.

❷ Dr. Larry Finkelstein gives TOPPS lecture on the "Male & Female Urogenital Exam" –our maturity shines thru.

㉔ Class discovers that Clotting Factor VI (a.k.a. "The Luxenberg Factor") does not actually exist.

⑲ "Finals Week From Hell" begins – 8 exams in 5 days – and how 'bout that Histo practical.

March 1996

FIRST YEAR - TERM III
March 4, 1996 – May 24, 1996

Internal Medicine - Cardiology & Pulmonology	3
Microbiology & Immunologic Basis of Medicine	10
Osteopathic Principles & Practice	3
Pathology	2
Pharmacology	4
Physiology	7
TOPPS	3
	32

We buy all required and none of the recommended books = $187.50

❻ Eli Lilly trip.

⑩ Softball tournament held at Fairmount Park – Class of 1999 sports two teams. Kazdan strikes out 3 times during the first game.

⑯ Linda, Julia, Jen & Ellen throw their 70's party... everyone was looking real nasty.

㉒ Dr. Obaidi begins teaching us Cardio physiology – a couple of months later he would be deported.

㉓ Physician's for Social Responsibility sponsors, "Domestic Violence Awareness Training" at PCOM.

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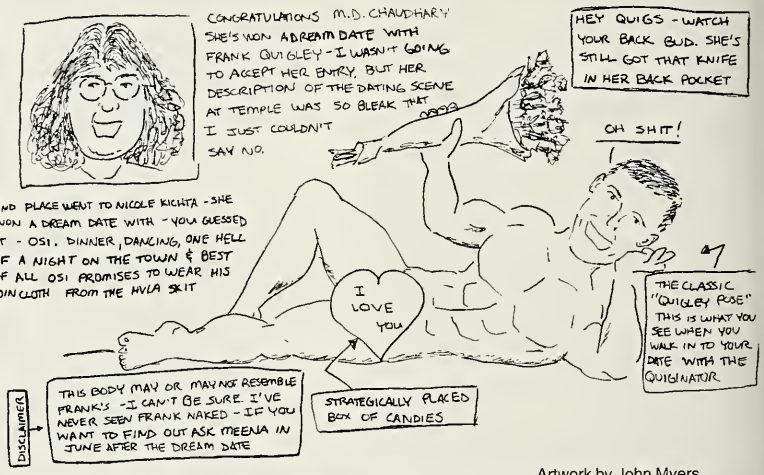


Artwork by John Myers

23 1st PBM exam – test questions posted immediately following exam – doesn't look good in phys or path.

27 Dr. DeBias sees how poorly the Class did – decides to dismiss 7 questions - what the hell, everyone gets 7 points even if you correctly answered the question!

28 Dr. Fogel sees how poorly the Class did – decides to have cream cheese on his bagel.

April 1996

2 Kentucky defeats Syracuse in NCAA championship game.

9 Dr. D'Alonzo introduces us to heart sounds...what's a fixed split?

15 2nd PBM exam – answers posted immediately following – 5 days later class given 9 points for phys.

26 Follies '96 - Annenberg Center @ Upenn – Highlights : D.O.C.S.; Dr. Coughlin (Moorehouse); Dr. Thorton (KenShank); Class of 1999's "Whine" commercial.

27 PCOM Prom - the tradition continues - drunk fest.

May 1996

2 Glenn Miske is awarded the C.Paul Snyder, DO, Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Fellowship.

8 Dr. Carroll begins 8-lecture symposium on Allergy that included 50 page handout – never tested on info.

11 Valujet crashes in the Everglades; 110 aboard are killed.

17 Dr. Mark teaches Nish the finer points of the bow tie.

21 PBM Final – answers posted immediately following – everyone given 8 points on phys section.

24 Our first year ends following our OPP Final.

24 End-of-the-Year Party held at Summit Park: Greg Smith & Aaron Weiss reign supreme at "Beer Pong".

25 Meena (M.D.) Chaudary leaves PCOM in hopes of sharing OMT with allopathic world – see ya!

30 I turned 21, yo!
– Bob Czincila

June 1996

- Pam (Thelma) and Julia (Louise) take off for Montana.

- 8 Jennifer Righter marries John Wolfgang.
- 10 Remedial Testing begins "If there is anything, I mean anything, that I can do to pass this class..."
- 15 Marriage of Brian Kuronya to Nicole Becker.
- 15 Jazz great Ella Fitzgerald dies.
- 21 Targan forever known as "Goat Boy", but not before he tries to place dubious distinction on Tomich first.

- 23 Camron Johnson marries Russel Privitera.
- 29 Lucas Shelly married to Karen Gagliardino

July 1996

- 6 Eric Gejer and Denise Chapman are engaged.
- 10 Stuck, Kelly, Becky and Tim are on *Price is Right.*
- 13 Jill Sheriff and Todd Nye are married.
- 17 TWA Flight 800 crashes in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Long Island. Among the 230 aboard who lost their lives is Jill Watson, beloved cousin of Dana Hamilton.
- 19 Atlanta Summer Olympic Games begin.
- 20 Evan Ryan Restelli married Blythe Leigh Tomko.
- 20 Paul Cowan and Cheryl Hanna are married.
- 25 Bomb mars Summer Olympic Games.

August 1996

- 3 Angela Faust's & Troy Klinger's Wedding Day.
- 4 Jeff Bubis & Gabrielle Fromer get married.

SECOND YEAR - TERM I
August 26, 1996 – November 15, 1996

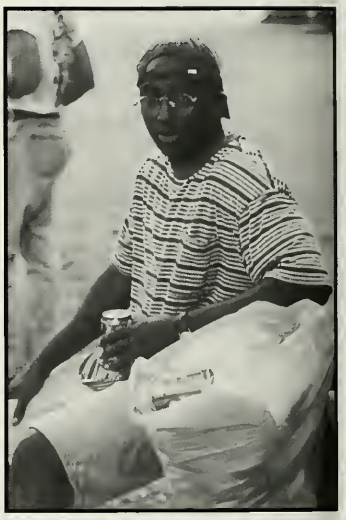
Clinical Geriatrics	1
Primary Care Skills	1
Internal Medicine	3
Obstetrics & Gynecology	4
Osteopathic Principles & Practice	3
Pathology	4
Physiology & Pharmacology	4
General Surgery	2
Urology	1
	23

We buy a couple of the recommended books = $84.00

- 26 Dr. Greene enlightens us with the first nephro lecture.

September 1996

- 4 Dr. Galluzzi attends MTV Video Music Awards – gets home at 4 AM. 6 hrs. later introduces us to Geriatrics
- 6 Party crashed at 3347 Wiehle Street (Steve, Chris & Ed's) – 6 PCOMers vs 20 neighborhood delinquents – we lost, but the 150 inside the house saw a good effort.
- 9 PCOM Golf Classic – tournament followed by Stupid Human Tricks extravaganza.
- 20 Steve Cairone passes out during OB/GYN's C-section video.



The Top Ten
"Alternative" Pronunciations Heard
From Professors (10/1/96)

10. aldosterone (al" dus ter'on)- Dr. Bernadini
9. neurons (ner'ones)- Dr. Kriebel
8. asymmetry (ah'simm e tree)- Dr. Fogel
7. ischium (isk' e um)- Dr. Meals
6. barbitnates (bar" bit your' eights)- Dr. Jeck
5. nephron (nee' fron)- Dr. Nickey
4. umbilicus (um" bul cy kus)- Dr. Newenhuis
3. capillary (kup hill' ary)- Dr. Obiadi
2. tissue (tiss you")- Dr. Craver (I hardly know you!!!-had to be said!)
1. centimeter- need I print this one????

-Jeanne Gimple

20 1st PBM exam – answers posted immediately following exam – everyone given 6 points on phys section.

20 Jake & Oliver's II – cage dancing– it wasn't pretty

21 SOMA sponsors 1st annual Volleyball Tournament fundraiser for Special Olympics. The winners ►

21 Virginia Military Institute, Citadel admit first woman.

30 2nd PBM exam – large number of people unable to make exam – answers immediately posted – absent group does extraordinarily well upon taking exam at later date - everyone still given 8 points on phys section.

October 1996

10 Dr. Broady complains about attendance.

11 Julia Jensen places 1st in the Alzheimer's Assoc. 5K Run.

11 American Osteopathic Association Convention in Las Vegas ends.

15 Dr. Leone presented with the 1st annual Primary Care Physician of the Year Award at the Primary Care Dinner.

19 Todd Morehouse marries Jen, the love of his life.

22 Rotation Group Lottery- the last pick goes to Sheri Moore.

THE TOP TEN REASONS IT DOESN'T MATTER WHICH ROTATION GROUP YOU GET (10/22/96)

Jeanne Gimple

10. No matter where you start--you still know nothing when you get there.
9 You will probably counsel a second year next year with 101 reasons not to pick your rotation group!
8. It doesn't really matter if your 4th year vacation is in July, or October, or January -- you will still sleep for a month!
7. You've been told where to go and what to take for 2 years -- why not 2 more??
6. Rest assured that Docs will make you look like a fool 12 months out of the year --whether your friend is there or not.
5. Any schedule is better than 8 to 5 Monday-Friday, and "study call" every night and weekend!
4. You can't ALL be with me, so quit fighting!!
3. Some of you WILL HAVE TO BE with Ed Tori.
2. Everyone actually has the same schedule--it is just all switched around!!--COOL!
1. No matter if you start with Cardiology, or OB/GYN, or Psychiatry -- someone will still walk up to you in 6/99, saying "Excuse me, Dr." --and they will be talking to you!

25 Dr. Broady exhibits his collection of rare X-rays of foreign objects lodged up people's rectums.

26 World Series Champions – New York Yankees

November 1996

2 Class of 1999 defeats Class of 2000 in the first annual winterbowl tackle football game – Fact!

4 Clinton-Gore ticket wins national election.

5 Students realize there is a "broken" copy machine on the second floor of the library that requires no money.

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Liquid Passion...it's a beautiful thing.

Steve, Matt & Shawn: Out promoting osteopathy and damn proud of it!

Devastated by his experience with Doris, Aaron was a little gun shy during the Targan Project. Dave, on the other hand, was fine.

No! No! No! You don't do it like that, you *STUPID IDIOT!* You do it this way...*THIS WAY*!!!

"Amazing how much more knowledgeable I am compared to these puny *underclassmen*".

Our thanks to Osi for submitting this candid.

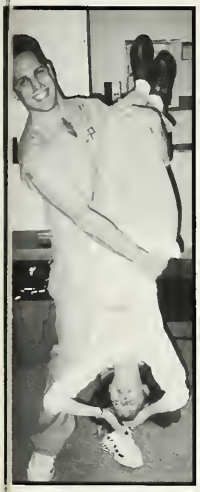
Boy, it's refreshing to see Dr. Becker so "happy" to be teaching Jason Tronetti.

Kimon Kostopoulos is living LARGE.

Securing the airway by any means necessary.

'ou know, Morehouse, I really could kick his ass!" - John Myers

Keith putting to rest the vicious rumors about his supposed supernumerary nipples.



Tom's new lymphatic drainage technique.

Doug - cherishing the friendship
Chris - appreciating the vulnerability

Caption needed?

7 We throw a surprise retirement social for Dr. DeBias.

10 Steve Goss sets PCOM record by volunteering to be the shirtless model in OMM lab for the 387th time.

11 Dr. DeBias adds 15 extra points to our last exam and Susan Meller asks if we could get 108% as a grade.

16 Penn State destroys Michigan @ Ann Harbor – Doug takes loss in stride.

SECOND YEAR-TERM II
November 18, 1996 – February 21, 1997

Neuropharmacology & Anesthesiology	3
Neuropathology	3
Psychiatry	3
Neurosurgery, Neurology & Ophthalmology	8
Otorhinolaryngology	2
Primary Care Skills & Physical Diagnosis	1
Osteopathic Principles & Practice	3
Radiology	2
General Surgery II	2
	27

We only buy the Medical Neuroscience book = $52.00

December 1996

1 Aaron Weiss traumatized by Doris.

5 President Clinton appoints Madeline Albright as the first female Secretary of State.

11 That Kiss!

13 Renegade group skips out on 10 AM ENT lectures in order to frequent S-Points – all make it back, some trashed, for the 1 PM radiology lecture.

14 "Christmas Party for the Homeless" held at Christian Tabernacle Shelter.

16 Kazdan and Moorehouse perform Adam Sandler's Hannukah Song for Dr. Meals and the class.

17 Another festive Christmas party at Chris, John, Senu & Shawn's.

25 Donna Olshefski becomes engaged to Larry Ott.

January 1997

17 40 members of the Class set forth & conquer Killington – brawl almost breaks out at rest stop.

20 William Jefferson Clinton re-sworn in as the 42nd President.

24 Frieda Vickers, D.O. awarded the O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal (becoming the 43rd recipient).

26 Super Bowl XXXI Green Bay 35 – New England 21

27 Kevin McGeehan engaged to Nina McClarren.

February 1997

5 O.J. Simpson found liable in civil suit.

23 ENT Final exam...average time to completion is 37 minutes...class average 98 THANKS BACK TEST MAN!

26 I (John Marshall) got married to Suzan E. Marshall, PCOM '00 over Spring Break.

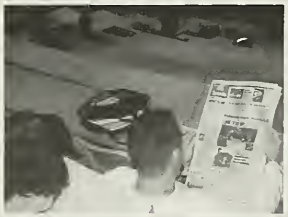
March 1997

SECOND YEAR-TERM III
March 3, 1997 – May 9, 1997

Dermatology	1
Primary Care Skills & Physical Diagnosis	1
Internal Medicine – Rheumatology	1
Medicine & Society	3
Occupational Medicine	1
Oncologic Sciences	9
Osteopathic Principles & Practice	3
Pediatrics	4
Rehabilitation Medicine	1
General Surgery III	2
	26

One book (biostats review) is bought and photocopied for the rest of the class = $17.50 (the photocopying was free compliments of "broken" copier)

8 Class is cultured – 40 classmates go to NYC to see "Rent" on Broadway, Steve & Chris see Metallica at the Spectrum.



14 Attendance at Rheumatology continues to be exceptional – all it takes is a little quiz.

19 Dr. Cuzzolino complains about attendance at Ethics lectures.

21 Dr. Leis complains about attendance at Surgery lectures.

27 Dr. Haegele complains about attendance at Oncology lectures

27 Heaven's Gate cult members commit mass suicide in CA.

April 1997

12 Aasma Sheikh & Ed Tori are married.

13 Tiger Woods breaks multiple records at The Masters.

15 First Annual Sigma Sigma Phi Induction Ceremony.

20 Much to the chagrin of our class treasurer, it is requested that the Class of 1999 books be audited.

25 Follies '97 held at Penn Valley Middle School – Highlight's include: The Lost OPP Tapes by Dave Nelson with Jeff Amato; The Great Cardiac by Aaron Weiss; HVLA with Waks, Czincila, Jaffe, "Captain" Kirk, & Osi; The Student's Court with Drs. DeBias & Fogel; Back Test Man; How Dr. Meals Gets His Puppets; PCOM Spirit..... thanks Todd and Doug

> "Satire is only painful to those who deserve it...I am glad I made the test up before I heard about it"
> - Dr. E

26 PCOM Prom – another silly, sloppy, drunken fest.

27 Presidents' Summit for America's Future is held in Philadelphia A large group from PCOM participates.

29 Dr. Goldstein catches up with Kazdan regading the quality of skits from this year's Follies.

30 K. Marquez Scott ends the suspense & finally reveals the identity of "Sonrissa" – Pebbles.

May 1997

1 OPP Practical Scores (Averages) Station 1= 97... Station 2= 96...Station 3= 98...Station 4=5

2 Everyone fabricates Occupational medicine paper.

2 Our last lecture together – the 40 of us truly appreciated the significance of the moment.

9 Class of 1999 takes last final – pediatrics

10 Andrew Raider finally gets a hair cut.

11 Let the studying for boards begin!

17 Priyesh Thakkar , Jon Hackenyos and Troy Frazer receive their M.B.A.'s from St. Joseph's University.

20 Sportscaster Marv Albert, 53, is indited on charges of sodomy, assault and battery.

21 Class of 1999 continues rigorous cram for boards – everyone's working diligently – almost everyone.

22 Stephanie Santoro and Maria Hoertz graduate from Temple University with their M.P.H.'s.

27 Charlie Scott had kid!
(in his own words)

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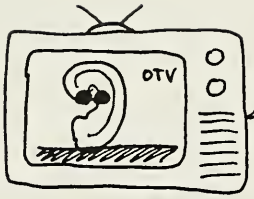

IN OTHER NEWS TONIGHT... CAULIFLOWER EAR IS ON THE RISE...

-Ed Tori

The Top Ten
Lies told on the internet
(and I found out who told them) (3/21/96)

10. "No, I'm not married." (ChrisP@pcom.edu)
9. "Me and that girl who looks like Rachel from Friends are just friends" (CharlieK@pcom.edu)
8. "I don't want to brag, but I can bench press 360."(SteveCohen@pcom.edu)
7. "I swear I won't tell Oakes!" (FrankQ@pcom.edu)
6. "I'm rich, sincere and a man of principle." (SteveCairone@pcom.edu)
5. "I'm typing naked." (BobC@pcom.edu)
4. "I'm typing naked and I'm not alone." (DaveJ@pcom.edu)
3. "I've never done this before." (ChrisS@pcom.edu)
2. "I'm not a murderer, I don't even own a gun!!" (ChrisM@pcom.edu)
1. "I am not a drunk, and I'll remember everything tomorrow."(MikeO@pcom.edu)

-Jeanne Gimple

CECUM . . . A YE SHALL FIND 'EM .

-Ed Tori

June 1997

❷ Timothy McVeigh is convicted of First Degree Murder, for the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

❸ NBOME Level I — let us at 'em.

❹ Deb Bagnull shows up to begin her boards.

❹ Post-boards in the Parking Lot.

❺ Class of 1999 holds its class party at the 8th Floor.

❼ More Class casualties — good luck Nathan and Fred.

❾ Some students from the Class of 1999 begin their "clinical years" and learn early on just how "vital" they are to the process.

❿ My (Mary Brigandi) husband graduated medical school — M.D./Ph.D. — 5 out of 217 at Jefferson.

⓭ Melissa Torres and Robert Wallace are married.

⓯ Jade and Christine Owens are married.

㉑ Eric Gejer and Denise Chapman are married.

㉑ Pam Tedesco ran and completed the "Mayor's Midnight Sun 26.2 mile Marathon" in Anchorage, Alaska for the Leukemia Society.

-John Myers

㉘ Mike Tyson is disqualified after biting Evander Holyfield's ear in their Heavyweight Championship match. He is later banned from boxing and fined $3,000,000.

July 1997

❹ Mars Pathfinder impacts on surface of Mars, first images received.

THIRD YEAR CLINICAL CLERKSHIPS
July 7, 1997 — June 7, 1998

Elective
Family Medicine
Family Medicine Selective
General Internal Medicine
Cardiology
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
Pediatrics
Psychiatry
Radiology
Ambulatory Surgery
Surgery

⓬ Dipali Dalal and Priyesh Thakkar are engaged.

⓯ Andrew Cunanan murders fashion designer Gianni Versace at the end of a killing spree.

23 Andrew L. Kirk born to Kevin & Mary Kirk.

August 1997

1 My son, Richard Philip Brigandi, was born. What a joy - 6lb 5oz of love!

3 Strike cripples United Parcels Service.

12 Steve Cohen takes off from Psych rotation at Fitz to join Robert Wood School of Med — don't forget your OMT!

27 Rhonda Randall and Brad Scruggs are engaged.

29 Dave Johnson has his buckteeth stolen in Rome.

31 Princess Diana, 36, dies as a result of an automobile accident in Paris.

September 1997

2 Tom Findlan and Heather Forsyth leave on their European backpacking trip.

6 Gage Zachary Kuronya born to Brian and Nicole Kuronya.

6 Mother Teresa nobel Peace Prize winner dead at 87.

20 Nish wears black leather pants & red velvet shirt to Club Deco. Girl makes fun of Nish. Kartik gets date with girl.

October 1997

6 The new Cambria Street Health Care Center is dedicated.

13 Hannah Michelle Colella is born on her Mommy's (Elizabeth Colella) birthday.

24 "Jade Factor" kicks in at Rancokas — no one will ever fail a rotation there again.

31 Birth of Karl Luxardo's triplets — Alexandra, Gabrielle & Dominique.

November 1997

3 Terry Nichols goes on trial for Oklahoma City bombing.

15 Marriage of Aaron Weiss to Romy Saltzburg.

17 Howard Stern "Fart machine" discovered in Radiology by members of J-1 group.

19 Woman in Iowa gives birth to 7.

December 1997

18 Chris Farley of "Saturday Night Live" and "Tommy Boy" dies of drug overdose.

23 Jennifer Acconzo and David Zambo (PCOM '98) are engaged.

30 Vivek, Kartik, Justin, Nish & G-Money get evicted from their house in Narberth.

Clinical Correlation

A) Stress Incontinence
B) Urgency Incontinence
C) Passive Incontinence
D) Karyokee Night: Divinyls' "Touch Myself"
E) Won't even go there!

January 1998

- 5 Sonny Bono killed in skiing accident.
- 8 Unabomer, Theodore Kaczynski, pleads guilty.
- 16 Ed & Chris arrive in Miami – a solid month of learning.
- 21 White House sex scandel precipitated by president Clinton's deposition in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case. The name Monica and the infamous blue dress become a part of history.
- 23 Dr. Fogel - 44th recipient of the O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal.

- 25 Super Bowl XXXII- Denver Broncos upset Green Bay Packers - All-Star Cafe
- Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan. Tara Lipinski,15, becomes the youngest figure skater to win the Gold medal.
- Princeton Review's "The Best Medical Schools" edition includes a very positive descripton of PCOM.

February 1998

- 14 Angelo Markatos and Jacqueline Florez are engaged.
- 14 Katie Masterson and Mike Benning are married.
- 18 My niece, Kaya May Brody, was born.

March 1998

- 1 Debra Bagnull engaged to Robert Shollenberger.
- 2 Senu does his first Mummer's Strut for Dr. Meals.
- 14 The first and only 80's Party at Mike, Frank and John's.
- 19 PCOM mourns the loss of "Uncle Manny" Fleigelman.
- 22 Pam Tedesco meets future Husband - George Villarose – Man of her Dreams, (first date at Sam's Saloon).
- 27 F.D.A. approves male impotence pill, Viagra.

April 1998

- 2 John Sireci turns 30 and is still not engaged, married, or with children – Mom is more impatient than ever.
- 7 Stephanie Duncan and Michael Garcia are engaged after a five-year courtship.
- 16 Molly Elizabeth Shank born to Ken & Lisa Shank.
- 30 Julia Jensen and Mike get engaged in Interlaken, Switzerland.

May 1998

- 2 Levin Administration building is dedicated.
- 2 Whitney Shoemaker and Jeffery Pollack are married.
- 3 Michael and Tracey Fischer are married.

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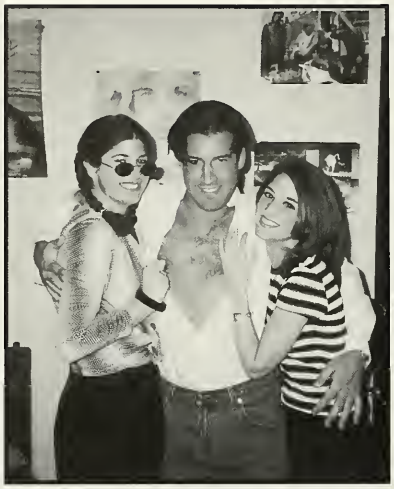
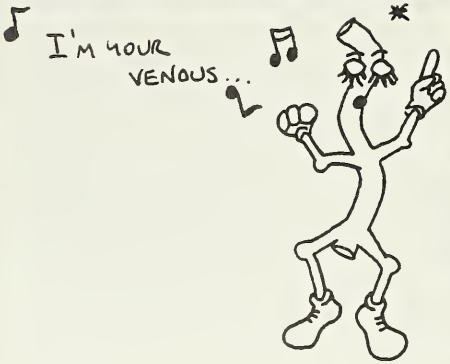


THEY ARE ACTUALLY ONE & THE SAME! BEWARE! THIS WOMAN OFTEN POSES AS A UROLOGIST. SHE IS KNOWN TO HAVE ASSUMED THE IDENTITY OF TAMMY PEESTER, D.O. &, ON OCASION, LORI MICTURITION, D.O. BEWARE GENTLEMEN. SHE HAS A CATHETER!



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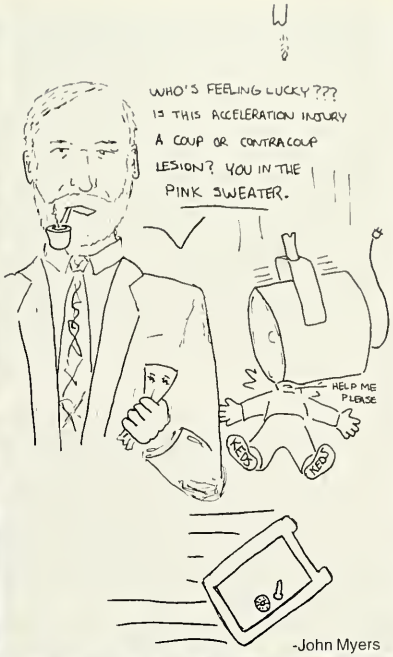


-John Myers

Remember these Guest Scribes?

04-16-97	Bitter Boy
12-20-96	Phil McCracken
01-10-97	Mike Rotchichiz a.k.a. Doug Luxenburg
02-13-97	Haywood Jablomey a.k.a. Jon Hackenyos

⓮ Frank Sinatra dies at age 82.

⓮ The last episode of Seinfeld aired.

⓮ Ed Sciullo meets "Madonna" at RFK stadium during music festival.

⓳ Student Activity Center ground-breaking ceremony

㉘ Phil Hartman, 49, Emmy Award-winning actor from "Saturday Night Live" and "News Radio" is murdered.

㉙ Kelley Smith gives Mike Oakes a fat lip.

㉚ Seth Baublitz proposes to Laleh Radfar.

June 1998

❶ Ryan Kulka is born.

❻ Tom Findlan and Heather Forsyth are engaged.

FOURTH YEAR CLINICAL CLERKSHIPS
June 8, 1998 – May 9, 1999

Community Medicine Selective
Elective
Emergency Medicine
Elective
Health Care Center – Rural
Health Care Center – Urban
Health Care Center – Urban
Medical Sub – I
Internal Medicine
Surgery
Elective

❽ Sharon Liu and John Serino are wed.

⓬ Rene Bermudez's son, Evan, is born.

⓰ Somehow during this month PCOM students lose privileges at LaPorte's Country Club – I wonder who is to blame?

㉓ The PCOM Community mourns the death of Dr. Heilig.

㉔ Reception held in honor of Walter Ceglowski, Ph.D. who retires from the Microbiology & Immunology Department.

㉖ Dave Johnson receives his second pair of buckteeth.

July 1998

❺ Christopher Smith and Donna DiBruno are engaged.

❻ Tom Findlan's brother Dave returns from a year abroad in Holland.

❽ Dana & Chris agree to become co-editors of Synapsis 1999 – what the hell were we thinking?

㉕ Rhonda Randall and Brad Scruggs are married in St. Lucia.

August 1998

3 The new and improved library is opened.

7 Dave Matson & Jennifer Duffy are married.

7 In a pair of carefully calculated terrorist attacks, bombs exploded at the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania at exactly the same time. 257 are dead and more than 5,000 are injured.

8 Debra Bagnull marries Robert Shollenberger.

17 After relentless media attention, leaks and news of Lewinsky's upcoming testimony, President Clinton admitted to having an "inappropriate" relationship with intern, Monica Lewinsky.

22 Deanna Brasile & Craig Taraszki are engaged to be married.

29 Rhonda Randall and Brad Scruggs have their Wedding Reception in Gainesville, Fl..

September 1998

7 Mark Maguire breaks Roger Maris' single-season homerun record by hitting his 62nd of the season (he would end up with 70 for the season).

12 Joe Paterno wins his 300th game as Head Coach of the Penn State Nittany Lions, defeating Bowling Green.

12 Vivek Dhura and Hetel Kamdar are engaged.

18 Dave Johnson's 2nd set of buckteeth melt in the San Diego Sun.

20 Cal Ripken, Jr. sits out his first baseball game in over 16 years, ending his streak of consecutive games played at 2632.

21 Florence Griffith Joyner, 38, incandescent American sprinter and winner of 3 gold medals at the 1988 Seoul Summer Olympics, dies of an epileptic seizure.

21 President Clinton's tapes before Starr Grand Jury are released.

October 1998

3 Yearbook deadline for Senior Page layouts — have received 37 of 245.

3 Kevin McGeehan married to Nina McClarren.

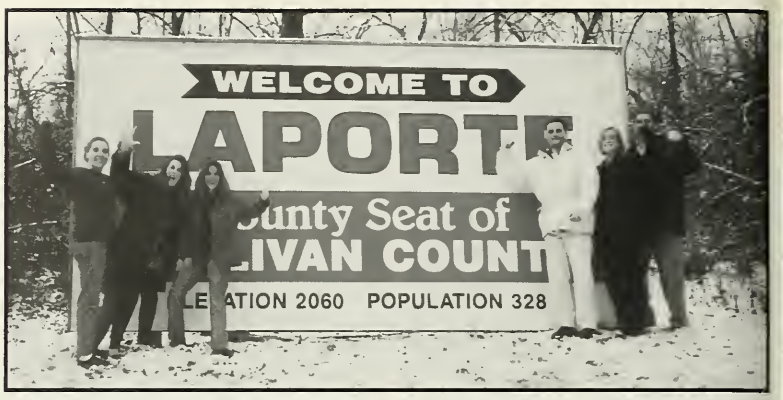
10 2 years down, 28 to go.

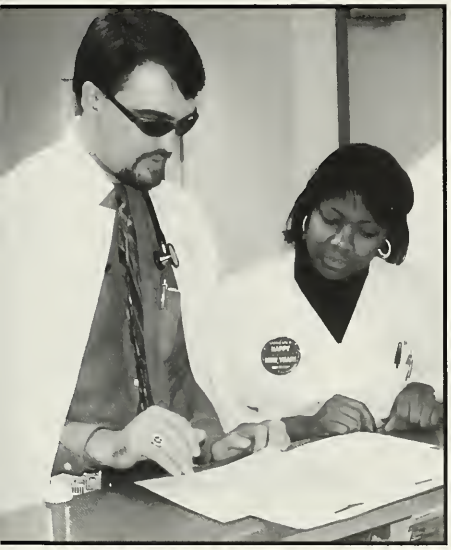
12 Rotation Group S-7 in Laporte receives the 168th tour of Sally Reibson's family farm.

14 Maria Hoertz got her bill for her Stafford loans — "To pay in full, send $100,499.66 by October 31, 1998".

15 Maria Hoertz decided not to open any of her HEAL loans.

27 Senator and former astraunat John Glenn returns to space aboard Shuttle Discovery.





28 Benjamin and Janie Myers finally have their honeymoon in Acapulco, Mexico after 3 years of marriage.

December 1998

- Lt. Col. Eileen Collins becomes the first woman astronaut appointed shuttle commander.

19 The House of Representatives approves two articles of impeachment against the President.

January 1999

- President Clinton stands trial in the Senate, charged with High Crimes and Misdemeanors.

4 Match forms are due -- make sure you put enough postage to get the form to CANADA.

13 Basketball great Michael Jordan retires.

15 Alex Jason Kazdan is born....the legacy continues.

22 Nicholas Pedano, D.O.-the 45th O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal.

22 Dana Hamilton, Class of '99, becomes the 1st recipient of the Mason W. Pressly Award, which is given to PCOM's Student D.O. of the Year.

25 MATCH DAY !!!

26 Let the SCRAMBLE begin!

31 Super Bowl XXXIII- Denver Broncos defeat Atlanta Falcons

February 1999

1 Brad Mudge is the last member of the Class of 1999 to hand in Senior Page layout. (Chris White finished his on January 31, 1999).

8 Studying hard for boards. Tony Baroni depletes Philadelphia's Diet Coke supply.

12 President Clinton aquitted at Senate impeachment trial.

14 Todd Kazdan deletes all of Maria Hoertz's timeline entries after deeming them unworthy for publication.

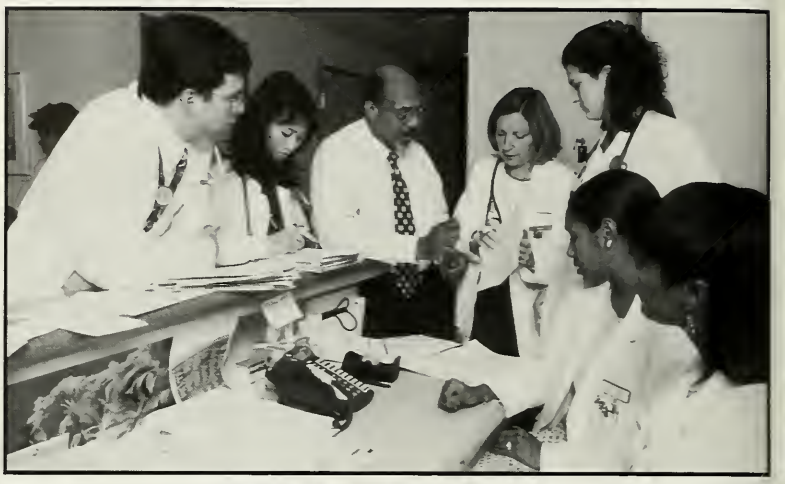
15 The last major yearbook deadline. Chris White and Dana Hamilton resume normal lives, (if they remember where they filed them) and start studying for boards.

21 Angela Faust Klinger's baby, Tanner, is born.

March 1999

8 Class of '99 begins studying for COMLEX Level II Boards.

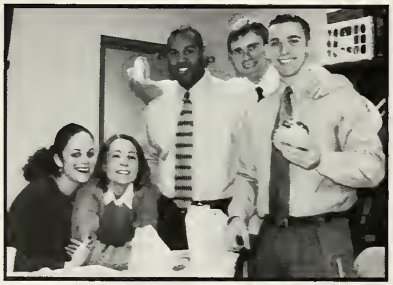
Class of 1999
Our 4%
of the century



THE TOP TEN THOUGHTS THAT WENT THROUGH MY HEAD DURING THE LAST NEURO EXAM

10) What the @%S*!
9) Oh, %*&@#%!
8) I am totally @#*%S##*!
7) Did I even S*&%ing STUDY this %&S# ?!?!?
6) I should have gone to @#*%Sing Law School!!!
5) Pharmacology sucks @%*=%S*#S!!
4) Does anyone else understand this @#&%*?!?!?
3) I am going to get really @*S*#ing drunk after this!!!
2) Why do I always get it narrowed down to two *&@#Sing answers?!?!?
1) Eeny, meeny, meiny, moe...

-Jeanne Gimpel (1/14/97)



Now it's time to play a game we like to call: **Match the Med Student**
Below you will find a series of names of people in our class in one column and a brief description in the second column. Your mission, should you chose to accept it, is to match the name to the description. Fill it out and send it along with $5 to:
Match the Med Student, P.O. Box 2198732, Philadelphia, PA 19131

just kidding. Just put your name on it and drop it in my notefile. I'll randomly pick one out of all the correct responses and the lucky winner gets a commemorative plaque with their name on it.

a) Dave Tomich
b) Brett Rosenthal
c) Dave Weinstock
d) Me
e) Kelly Smith
f) Ed Tori
g) Jen Stuck
h) Chuck Fasano

___will absolutely freak out upon discovering that I have spelled his/her name wrong
___went out once all summer because he/she is such a gigantic wuss
___had "the funniest thing ever" happen to him/her every single day of the summer
___left a $17 tip on a $20 meal for a attractive waiter(tress)
___donned perfume/cologne for the first time to impress his/her dinner companion
___ had a 6 stroke lead after 9 holes turned into a 6 stroke deficit a mere 7 holes later
___did absolutely nothing worth mentioning all summer
___played with his/her "Stipper" all summer long

Doug Luxenberg (8/30/96)

9 COMLEX Level II Boards - brillant location!

11 Everyone sleeps late.

April 1999

8 SOMA National meeting is held at PCOM.

9 First batch of students from the Class finish with their clinical rotations, unofficially physician training completed.

15 Ed & Chris are headed for Amsterdam - Steve joins them in Rome (if the money is there).

17 Jeanne Gimpel weds Brian Sandella.

May 1999

1 Tom Capelli and Kristen Piegari are married.

2 Angelo Markatos and Jacqueline Florez are married.

8 Marriage of Adele Tayoun to Chris Lane.

8 Dipali Dalal and Priyesh Thakkar are married.

9 PCOM is a leading sponsor for the Race for the Cure.

9 LAST DAY AS A MEDICAL STUDENT!

16 Shawn Simpson and Stefanie Glickstein to be married.

23 PCOM Graduation Cruise.....will they return?

30 Laleh Radfar and Seth Baublitz are married.

June 1999

4 Commencement Dinner Dance at the Crystal Tea Room.

5 Jennifer Acconzo and David Zambo (PCOM '98) are married.

5 On the eve of Graduation Day! For that man that will not see me graduate, but was there loving me, giving me the strength to keep going, and the knowledge that he was in there in my heart and soul. My thanks and love for all of the things that might never be. I see in your eyes that everything is possible.

6 **Somebody pinch me, I'm a Doctor!**

12 Donna Olshefski to Marry Larry Ott.

12 Lisa Guthrie will marry Jonathan Leukulich in North Huntington, PA.

July 1999

1 Internship starts. It just keeps getting better and better!

100 years... 4 years of...

manipulating	partying
cramming	rotating
memorizing	enduring
remediating	pretending
ingesting	reading (4th year?)
recovering	slacking (4th year!)
vegetating	surviving
signing (loan checks)	anticipating
whining	celebrating

DEAR IVORY,

I WAS PURCHASED ABOUT 3 MONTHS AGO. APPARENTLY, MY OWNER'S MOTHER WAS CONCERNED ABOUT HER SON'S HYGIENE. HIS NAME IS JOHN MYERS. AND, GUESS WHAT?! HE HASN'T USED ME ON HIS SKIN SINCE HIS MOTHER BOUGHT ME! THE GUY DOESN'T WASH! IT'S BEEN 3 MONTHS!

HE DID USE ME ONCE, THOUGH. BUT THAT WAS TO WASH THE FECOLITHS OUT OF HIS UNDERWEAR.

WRITE BACK SOON,

COAST

Dear Coast,

I know how you feel. My owner, though quite clean, uses me to practice TOPPS. She dresses me up with beads and pipecleaners and practices H&P. I think she's just trying to impress her brother, John Gimpel.

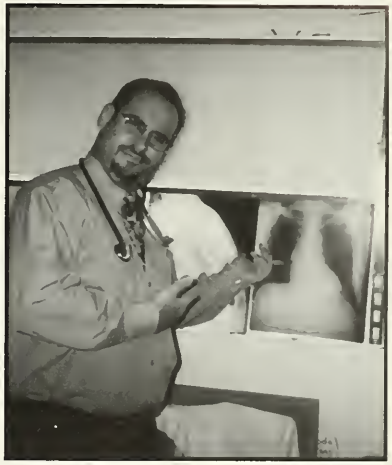
♡☺

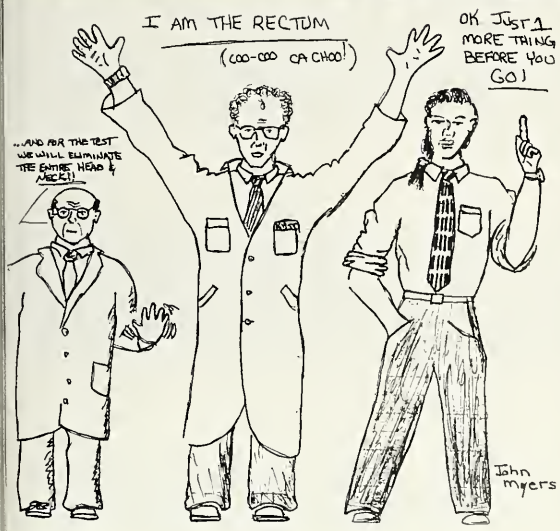
Ivory

SOAP NOTES

by Ed Tori

Happy New Year




I AM THE RECTUM
(coo-coo ca choo!)
OK JUST 1 MORE THING BEFORE YOU GO!
...AND FOR THE REST WE WILL ELIMINATE THE ENTIRE HEAD & NECK!!
John Myers

Match List

Acconzo, Jennifer	UNECOM/St. Luke's	Bethlehem, PA	Fishman, Alla	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Affuso, Christina	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Fragin, Jason	Lehigh Valley	Allentown, PA
Amato, Jeff	Surburban General	Norristown, PA	Frazer, Troy	Wellington Regional	West Palm Beach, FL
Anderson, Paula	Wright Patterson AFB	Dayton, OH	Fulton, Jess	UNECOM/St. Luke's	Bethlehem, PA
Aquilino, Linda	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Gallagher, Sean	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA
Aronovitz, Jason	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Gejer, Eric	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Baroni, Anthony	LECOM/Western Penn	Pittsburgh, PA	Gerlach, Kevin	Good Samaritan Hospital	West Islip, NY
Barton, Ellen	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Gibbons, Larry	Naval Hospital	Portsmouth, VA
Barton, Keith	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Gilhool, Patrick	Comm. Hospital- Lancaster	Lancaster, PA
Baublitz, Seth	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Philadelphia, PA	Gimpel-Sandella, Jeanne	Suburban General	Norristown, PA
Bellicini, Nick	LECOM/Western Penn	Pittsburgh, PA	Ginsberg, Keith	Suburban General	Norristown, PA
Benning, Katie (Masterson)	See Graduation Supplement		Goldstein, Rachel	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Bermudez, Rene	OUCOM/Doctors Stark	Massillon, OH	Goss, Steve	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Bigus, Maria	UNECOM / St. Luke's	Bethlehem, PA	Gracia, Deb	NSUCOM/Miami Heart	Miami Beach, FL
Birk, Tom	Dewitt Army Comm.	Alexandria, VA	Guistwite, Darryl	Comm.Gen.Osteopathic	Harrisburg, PA
Blitz, Jen	Botsford General	Farmington Hills, MI	Guthrie, Lisa	St. Francis	Pittsburgh, PA
Bordeaux, Bryan	Wilson Memorial	Johnson City, NY	Hackenyos, Jonathan	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
Boyer, Pam	UMDNJSOM/Kennedy	Stratford, NJ	Hagerty, Jen	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Brasile, Deanna	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Halvorsen, Julie	PCOM/Geisinger	Danville, PA
Bratis, Livia	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Hamilton, Dana	OUCOM/Doctors North	Columbus, OH
Brennan, Vanessa	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Han, Ken	William Beaumont	El Paso, TX
Brigandi, Mary	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA	Handza, Jason	St. Francis	Pittsburgh, PA
Broady, Ronda	St. Joseph's	Philadelphia, PA	Harmon, Justin	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Bryan, Susan	OUCOM/Doctors North	Columbus, OH	Henderson, Jason	UNECOM/Univ.Conn.	Farmington, CT
Bryant, Earl	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Hershfeld, Stacy	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Brywka, Mike	Eisenhower Army	Ft. Gordon, GA	Hicks, Lauri	UNECOM/Univ. Conn.	Farmington, CT
Bubis, Jeff	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Hoang, Thuy	MWUCOM/Illinois Masonic	Chicago, IL
Burry, Jeff	OUCOM/Doctors Stark	Massillon, OH	Hockin, Stacy	LECOM/Mercy	Pittsburgh, PA
Cairone, Steve	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Hoertz, Maria	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Capelli, Tom	UNECOM/Univ Conn.	Farmington, CT	Hughes, Pam (Yanora)	Tripler Army	Honolulu, HI
Caprez, John	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA	Jaffe, Fred	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Carsillo, Vince	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Jeffers, Tabatha	St. Luke's	Allentown, PA
Chang, Joan	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA	Jensen, Julia	Santa Rosa	San Antonio, TX
Clark, Beth	Altoona Hospital	Altoona, PA	Jobanputra, Nish	Naval Hospital	Portsmouth, VA
Colella, Elizabeth	Suburban General	Norristown, PA	Johnson, Dave	Naval Hospital	Portsmouth, VA
Colella, Ric	MWUCOM/Cook Co.	Chicago, IL	Johnson-Privitera, Camron	PCOM/ Geisinger	Danville, PA
Conrad, Shannon	UMDNJSOM/Kennedy	Stratford, NJ	Jones-Eddy, Alicia	Delaware Valley	Langhorne, PA
Cousins, Karen	St. Joseph's	Philadelphia, PA	Kaplan, Jen	UMDNJSOM/Cooper	Camden, NJ
Cowan, Paul	See Graduation Supplement		Kazdan, Todd	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
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Cummings, George	Botsford General	Farmington Hills, MI	Keister, Tammy	Memorial Hospital	York, PA
Czincila, Bob	See Graduation Supplement		Kendzierski, Renee	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
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DeLuca, Samantha	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Kleinman, Mike	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Derr, Jen	UNECOM/Warren	Phillipsburg, NJ	Klinger, Angela (Faust)	PCOM/Geisinger	Danville, PA
Desai, Reshma	Lehigh Valley	Allentown, PA	Knisely, Tom	Womack Army Comm.	Fayetteville, NC
Dhruva, Vivek	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA	Kolisnyk, John	Brooke Army Med. Center	San Antonio, TX
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Duncan, Stephanie	NSUCOM/AMI Palmetto	Hialeah, FL	Krimmel, Gretchen (Myers)	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
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Ehokosia, Patience (Richardson)	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Kulka, Matt	NSUCOM/ North Broward	Fort Lauderdale, FL
Elford, Brian	LECOM/Mercy	Pittsburgh, PA	Kuronya, Brian	St. Luke's	Allentown, PA
Emmerich, Harry	Delaware Valley	Langhorne, PA	Landino, Linda	KCOM/Phoenix Baptist	Phoenix, Az
Falkenstein, Jerry	PCOM/Med Center	Beaver Falls, PA	Ledbetter, Susan	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Fasano, Chuck	See Graduation Supplement		Lichtman, Emily	See Graduation Supplement	
Findlan, Tom	St. Francis	Pittsburgh, PA	Liebentritt, Matt	See Graduation Supplement	
Fischer, Mike	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA	Liu, Sharon	See Graduation Supplement	
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Luxenberg, Doug	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
MacDonald, Chris	Millcreek Community	Erie, PA
Maholic, Rob	LECOM/West Penn	Pittsburgh, PA
Manalis, Helen	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Markatos, Angelo	Lehigh Valley	Allentown, PA
Marra, Tim	Naval Hospital	Camp Pendleton, CA
Marshall, John	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Matson, Dave	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
Maturo, Cathy	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA
McAuley, Valerie (Funk)	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
McCormick, Mike	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
McElmoyle, Bill	Delaware Valley	Langhorne, PA
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Miske, Heather Rakar	St. Francis	Pittsburgh, PA
Mitchell, Amy	Comm. Hospital- Lancaster	Lancaster, PA
Moe, Carlos	Columbia Hospital	West Palm Beach, FL
Montiel, Norma	St. John's Episcopal	Far Rockaway, NY
Moore, Sheri	St. Joseph's	Philadelphia, PA
Moran, Cassie	PCOM/Geisinger	Danville, PA
Morehouse, Todd	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Mudge, Brad	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
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Nelson, Dave	Atlantic Medical Center	Ormond Beach, FL
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Newswanger, Dana	See Graduation Supplement	
Nguyen, Vietnhan	See Graduation Supplement	
Nuss, Charlie	Edgewater Hospital	Chichago, IL
Nye, Jill (Sheriff)	PCOM/Geisinger	Danville, PA
Oakes, Mike	Balboa Navy Hospital	San Diego, CA
Olshefksi, Donna	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
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Oravitz, Pete	NYCOM/St. Barnabas	Bronx, NY
Orrington – Myers, Janie	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA
Overton, Ed	St. Joseph's	Philadelphia, PA
Owens, John	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Philadelphia, PA
Pacek, Jen	NSUCOM/Sun Coast	Largo, FL
Pacquing, Maricar	UNECOM/St. Michael's	Newark, NJ
Patel, Kartik	Wilson Memorial	Johnson City, NY
Patel, Nachal	Massapequa General	Long Island, NY
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Poleck, Annemarie	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA
Pollock, Whitney (Shoemaker)	PCOM/Nesbitt Memorial	Kingston, PA
Pomrink, Chris	UNECOM/ St. Luke's	Bethlehem, PA
Porter, Vernicka	NYCOM/Newark Beth Israel	Newark, NJ
Pratt, Tim	UNECOM/Univ. Conn.	Farmington, CT
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Sater, Diana	NYCOM/Newark Beth Israel	Newark, NJ
Sciullo, Ed	OUCOM/Doctors North	Columbus, OH
Scott, Charles	Eisenhower Army	Fort Gordon, GA
Scott, Kerry	St. Joseph's	Philadelphia, PA
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Shields, Paul	Metro Health Hospital	Erie, PA
Shollenberger, Debra (Bagnull)	PCOM/St. Joseph's	Reading, PA
Simpson, Shawn	St. Luke's	Allentown, PA
Sireci, John	UMDNJSOM/Kennedy	Stratford, NJ
Smith, Chris	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Smith, Greg	See Graduation Supplement	
Smith, Kelley	MWUCOM/Columbia	Olympia Fields, IL
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Sowinski, Sharon	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
Spitalieri, John	Delaware Valley	Langhorne, PA
Stairs, Brian	St. Francis	Pittsburgh, PA
Starry, Amy	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Steiner, Erik	See Graduation Supplement	
Steiner, Stefanie	UMDNJSOM/Kennedy	Stratford, NJ
Strauss, Jodie	LECOM/Mercy	Pittsburgh, PA
Stuck, Jen	OUCOM/Doctors North	Columbus, OH
Targan, Dave	See Graduation Supplement	
Tayoun, Adele	See Graduation Supplement	
Tedesco, Pam	PCOM/St. Joseph	Reading, PA
Thakkar, Priyesh	Lehigh Valley	Allentown, PA
Thalassinos, Tony	UMDNJSOM/Kennedy	Stratford, NJ
Thompson, Scott	NYCOM/Sisters of Charity	Buffalo, NY
Tomich, Dave	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Tori, Ed	Union Memorial	Baltimore, MD
Torres Wallace, Melissa	NYCOM/Newark Beth Israel	Newark, NJ
Tronetti, Jason	PCOM/Geisinger	Danville, PA
Vasques, DeEtte	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Verrechio, Jon	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA
Vieux, Ulrich	NYCOM/St. Clare's	New York, NY
Waks, Rick	See Graduation Supplement	
Watson, James	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
Weinstock, Dave	UNECOM/St. Vincent	Worchester, MA
Weiss, Aaron	PCOM/City Avenue	Philadelphia, PA
Weiss, Marissa	NYCOM/Newark Beth Israel	Newark, NJ
White, Chris	PCOM/Delaware Co.	Drexel Hill, PA
Wild, Bill	UMDNJSOM/Kennedy	Stratford, NJ
Winograd, Jon	NYCOM/Union	Union, NJ
Wolfe, Ron	Suburban General	Norristown, PA
Wolfgang, Jen (Righter)	Mercy Fitzgerald	Darby, PA
Young, Crystal	KCOM/Medical Center	Columbus, GA

Jennifer Julia Acconzo-Zambo, D.O.

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May the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.
Irish Blessing

I must first thank God, for without His blessings of family and friends, none of this would have been possible.
Mom, I cannot begin to thank you for all of the love, support and never-ending sacrifices you have given me for the past twenty-seven years. You have helped me grow into an independent and strong woman just like yourself. I am so proud to be your daughter! You have always been there to keep me going when I didn't think I could, never once doubting that my dream would become a reality. You have given me wings and let me fly! I couldn't have done this without you; you are truly the wind beneath my wings! I love you!
Dave, My life would not be half as wonderful had I not met you. You make my life complete..putting a smile on my face and making me laugh, sometimes so hard that I cry. I am a better person because of your love. I look forward to many years with you by my side. You are my best friend, my life, my love.. I can't wait to drive on the road of life with you. I love you.
Gram, Thanks to all your love and sacrifices, your granddaughter is finally a Doctor! I love you and thank God that you are sharing this special day with me.
Uncle Joe, Aunt Cathy, Aunt Mary, Aunt Anne, Aunt Pauline and Uncle James , You have all gone beyond the duties of aunts and uncles..you have been parents, advisors and friends. I love you all. Thank you for today..it would not have happened without you.
Joe, Chris, Matt, Sarah, Michael, Colleen, My "brothers and sisters"..You hold a special place in my heart. I love you and am very proud of all of you. Do good things in life!
Carolyn, We've made it!! All those nights of "hooked on a feeling" finally paid off. Thank you for being a terrific roomie and a best friend. I'll miss you next year! I know you'll do great! Go save lives!
The Zambos, Thank you for welcoming me into your family..Now there's two Dr. Zambos!
To all my PCOM friends, You have made med school fun! I wish all of you happiness and success in your future. **Linda,** thank you for setting up that blind date. I owe you a big one! **Lisa,** you're finally out of Philly!! I can't wait to visit you in Pittsburgh.
Family and friends, Thank you for believing in me and helping this day become a reality. I love you all!

Jennifer J. Acconzo Zambo DO

Cristina Marie Affuso, D.O.

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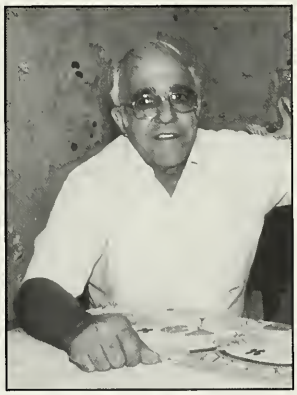
Ridgewood, New Jersey

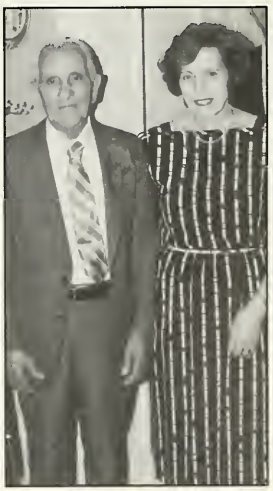
"Know thyself."
Thales, sixth-century BC philosopher

Mom and Dad: Words cannot express how grateful I am to have you as parents. You have been my ultimate source of inspiration, motivation, and support. Everything you have done for me has made this incredible dream of becoming a physician possible. Mom, thanks for always listening to and comforting me, and providing all of life's "little" necessities. Dad, thanks for your words of encouragement and knowledgeable advice. . . I'll never forget my Urology rotation. I love you.

Philip, John, Jeanne, and Peter: What would I have done without all of you? Growing up together has been awesome and fun. Throughout our lives we've always been there for one another, and we always will. You have molded me into the person I am today.

Sam, Helen, Lori, Kimon, Jenny, and Argy: I am the luckiest girl in the world to have all of you as friends. You have provided immeasurable amounts of support, entertainment, and fun. We've all had some pretty hilarious times. We've also experienced many challenging situations. . . to say the least. However, knowing that we're all true friends, as well as colleagues, has pulled us through medical school, and will help us through our future.





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"The future is here, we are it, we are on our own..."

Grateful Dead

To my parents: Thank you for always believing in me. You taught me that being happy is more important than anything else. This degree is as much yours as it is mine, as I owe all of my accomplishments to you.

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To my grandparents Sidney, Lucy & Jack: It was from you that I learned kindness & laughter. I wish that you could be here today to share in my joy.

To Nana: You are the standard by which I judge the quality of a person. Thank you for your constant love and support throughout my life.

To Mar: You know you are the love of my life. I would never have made it this far without you. I am finally a doctor, but will always be a husband first. Do not let me forget that. I love you.

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our mind can only hold one thought at a time, make it a positive and constructive ne.

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Mom and Dad: I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your love and nconditional support throughout these past four years. You have provided me with he strength and motivation to make my dream a reality. In this time, our lives have hanged dramatically but I know in my heart this will only make us stronger. I love ou very much and no matter where this path may lead, you are always in my heart nd I am always here for you!

Brian: Hey Bub, you have always been there when I needed you most. I could never sk for a better brother. It was your support and encouragement that helped me hrough my toughest times. I love you big brother!!

Aunt Dee Dee, Uncle Bob, and Nessa: I love you all very much! Thank you for all f your confidence and support.

Shannon: We have done some **strong work** in the past four years!! Your strength, onfidence, and friendship are second to none. Love ya!!

John: You have been my *voice of reason*, my *financial adviser*, and most of all my *est friend*! Thank you for always being there for me!! You're the best!

Paula Anderson D.O.

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Ability will enable a person to get to the top, but it takes character to keep yourself there.

Unknown Author

This page is dedicated to my grandparents and my Aunt Linda, who I know has walked with me in spirit for the past ten years.

Mom and Dad: The two of you have been my strength throughout my life. And even now at the age of 26, I still look to you for your support and guidance and belief in me at times when I often lose belief in myself. I have worked so hard to get to this point in my life, but I realize none of this would have ever been possible without my two biggest fans cheering me on. Thank you for all you have done for me; it has never gone unnoticed even though I may not have always said the words "thank you". You have helped make my dream come true. I love you so very much! **Minnie Mouse**
Lisa and Lori: It seems like only yesterday the three of us were living under mom and dad's roof arguing who was going to use the phone next. I realize now how much I cherish the two of you and the memories we have shared not only as sisters but as best friends. And although we each live in separate states and may not see each other as often as we would want and hope for, I want you to always remember how much I love you both. **You are my best friends. Pegleg**
Erin and Meg: To my two beautiful nieces, who make me smile even at the toughest moments in life. I love you. **Aunt LaLa**
Grandpop Aquilino: You are an inspiration to the entire family. I love you!
Ellen: Stopping on 76West at 2:30 am to pick up my shoe, "DBS", free hot dogs from the Carousel, trips to Wawa for chili cheese dogs, the "sticky compartment" in your car. The Rockets...for all of these things and some of the best times of my life, I thank you. You are my best friend.
Jen: Thank you for being one of my dearest friends and for all of the trips to Baskin Robbins for a late night snack.
Eileen (Kenny): You have been a tremendous support to me over the past two years. Thank you for always making me laugh whether it be your imitation of Puff Daddy or moonwalking across the floor.
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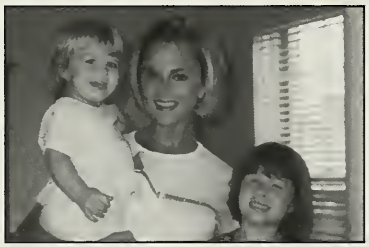
To My Classmates and Colleagues: I would not have wanted to experience the ups and downs of medical school with any other class. Best of luck to you all!



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Because the newer methods of treatment are good, it does not follow that the old ones were bad: for if our honorable and worshipful ancestors had not recovered from their ailments, you and I would not be here today.

Confucius

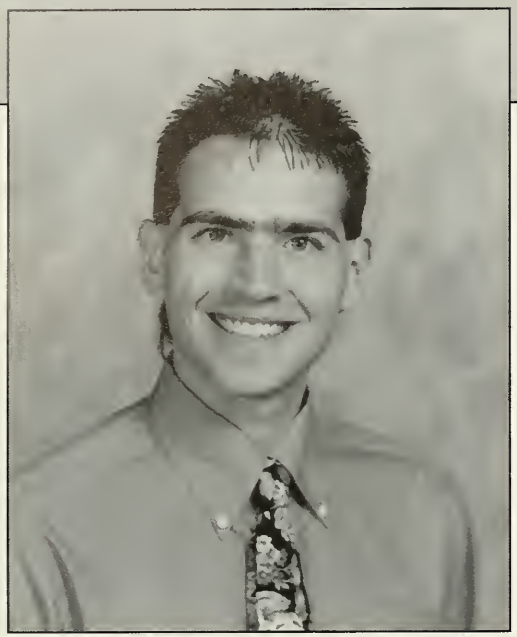
Are you crazy going into medicine today? I can't tell you how many times I heard this while applying to medical school. At times throughout medical school I thought I was going crazy. Fortunately I had an excellent support system composed of a loving family, memories of my deceased grandparents, understanding friends, e-mail, and the telephone. All of you should know how you have impacted my life. I wish I could recognize everyone in this limited space.

I am very excited to have the responsibility to take care of people. Family Medicine will allow for rich relationships to develop with my patients. Am I still crazy?

To my colleagues: An observation about myself that may help you. I noticed that I learn the most medicine when family or friends approach me with a medical problem. I am truly inspired to understand their problem and explore all treatment options. I have also seen this inspiration within attendings that become very aggressive in diagnosing/treating their family or friends that have problems. Perhaps if we were to treat all of our patients as if they were our own family or friends. Can you imagine what a great doctor you would be? Good luck in your careers.

Jason R. Aronovitz D.O.

Anthony Xavier Baroni, D.O.



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The trick in life is growing up without growing old.
Casey Stengel, Hall of Fame Manager

To the class of '99: Well, here we are. Four years and a seemingly insurmountable amount of debt later, the time has come to graduate and move on. Congratulations to everyone. As we reflect on our difficult tenure in Medical School, I am sure we can all say it was well worth it. Best of luck wherever your careers may lead!

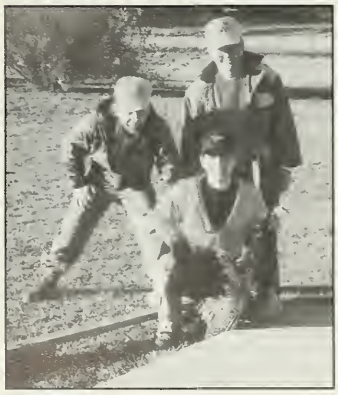
Mom and Dad: What can I say? You have always been there for all of us whenever we needed you, for whatever reason, and no matter what the sacrifice. I could ask for nothing more than to live my life, and raise my family expressing the same love and ideals as you. Thank you for your never ending support!

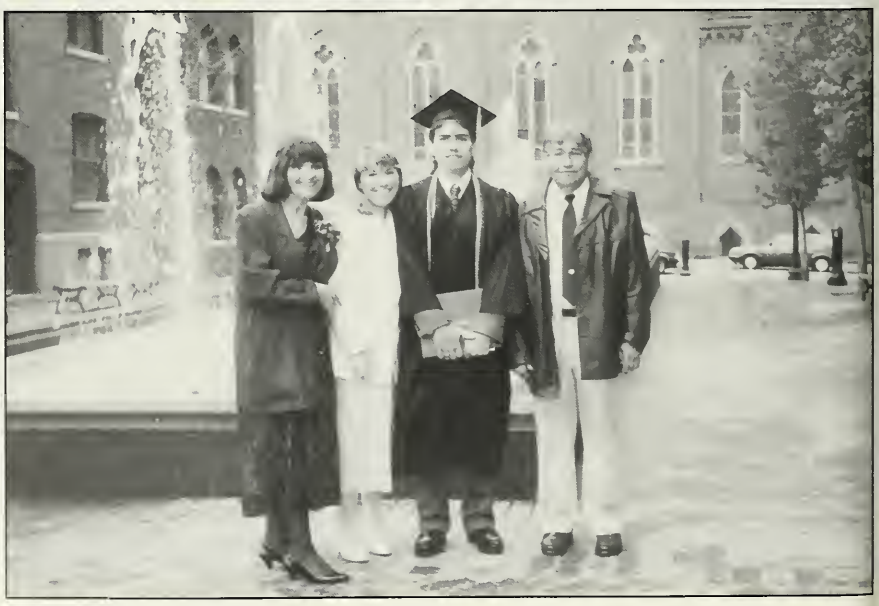
Sis': You are truly one of the best friends I'll ever have. Thank you for your caring and guidance throughout my life!

Bro: You told me I'd be finished in "no time at all" 4 years ago, and you were right. Thanks for all your advice throughout my clinical years!

Friends: Too numerous to name, too important not to mention. Thank you all!

2632= the essence of dedication and professionalism!





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ELLEN CORCORAN BARTON, D.O.

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On medicine: "...your whole life, even into its humblest and most indifferent hour, must become a sign and witness to this impulse."
R.M. Rilke

Mom and Dad: Words will only appear inadequate to describe the depth of my love, friendship and gratitude toward you. Your unconditional love and support has served as an inspiration throughout my lifetime. I love you with all my heart. Hey Dad - thanks for understanding "the more expensive always fits better!"

Billy, Tommy, Timmy, Danny, Joey and Jimmy: People always ask what it was like to grow up as the youngest child with six older brothers - even though I always smile and answer "sheer torture", we all know this isn't the truth. A girl could not ask for more concerned, generous and truly hilarious brothers. Thank you for making me the luckiest girl in the world.

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Mel & Dave, Donnelle, Erica, Jenny, Fred, Linda, Jeanne, Julia, Jen W., Bubes and Nancy M.: the experiences I have shared with you will be carried in my heart forever.

Ellen C. Barton, DO

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Make voyages. Attempt them. There is nothing else.
Tennessee Williams

WHO AM I? I never imagined medical school would change my life so drastically in such a short period of time. I find myself focused on my career like never before. I know I will be an obstetrician/gynecologist and eventually a reproductive endocrinologist....THAT IS CRYSTAL CLEAR.

My personal life is not so clear. I lost my marriage and the joy of being a family with my wife and son. My role as a father has changed and I am struggling with the fact that on graduation day I will be moving away from the most precious part of my life. Kody has given me so much strength, determination and joy that words can not do justice. I love him and I hope he knows that I never put medicine ahead of family...even though that may be how it appears. Maybe even though we will be far apart we will somehow find a way to build and strengthen the beautiful relationship we already have.....THAT IS NOT SO CLEAR.

Mom and Dad, I know you are proud of my accomplishments and I could have never achieved this goal without the love, strength and support you provided. I made a few life long friends and they refused to let me give up and I am forever grateful.

We did this together and our lives will never be the same. We have many changes still ahead of us but I have confidence, like never before, that we will pursue opportunity and build from every misfortune...That is who we are.....That is who I am.

Keith A. Barton D.O.

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"There is no satisfaction in instant gratification."
Seth Douglas Baublitz

I will continue to form relationships in my life. There will be relationships with family, friends, children, and of course patients. My success as a physician, husband, and father hinges on the ability to form intimate bonds with those that depend on me. I know this because I am a product of an environment where personal relations are the backbone of one's character.

Besides the endless support my father and mother have given me, they have made the ultimate sacrifice, putting their children before themselves in every aspect of life. As a result, every single day my parent's influence is expressed in my personality and actions. My sisters and I have taken on every challenge in life together. Each of us shares a little part of the other. There is no one that I respect and admire more than my sisters. Laleh is everything to me. She takes my hand and guides me through the maze of life. Her warmth and grace brighten each moment of my existence. She soothes my soul with her love and friendship. The relationship we share will last an eternity. Because I owe everything to all the people who touch my life, I can with most certainty say I will be dedicated to upholding my part in any relationship.

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An ego is just imagination; and if a man doesn't have imagination he will be working for someone else for the rest of his life.
Jimmy Hoffa

Dear Dad, Mom, and Chris,
Thank you for the endless love and support .
I will work hard to continue to make you proud.
You are in my thoughts every minute of the day.
The three of you are my life.
I love you!
Nick

The only rock that stays steady, the only institution I know that works, is the Family.
Lee Iacocca

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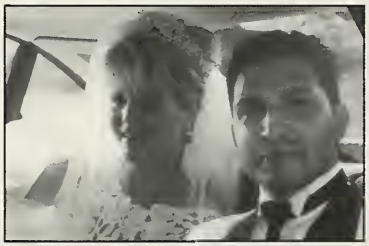
Hard work does not guarantee you anything, but without it, you don't stand a chance.
Patrick Riley



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Mom:
I could never express in words alone how much you truly mean to me. Thanks for always being there when I needed you to listen. I can only hope I will someday be as wonderful a mother as you have been to me. I do not think I could have ever accomplished my goals without you.

Russell & Paul:
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You both have always supported my dreams and continue to be very important people in my life.

Maria Bigus, D.O.

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"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it will be done unto you." John 15:7

Thank you to all of my family and friends who gave me support. Special thanks to my wife Joyce, my daughter Aila, and my yet unborn child; you have made this journey worthwhile. I love you.

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"When one door closes, another one opens: but we so often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door, that we do not see the ones which open for us."
Alexander Graham Bell.

Mommy and Daddy: Words cannot express how lucky I feel to have you as my parents. You have always supported me and been there for me. I couldn't have had a better mom and dad if I had picked you out myself.

Mark: My little bro. I am so proud of you. I can't believe we've grown up. I'm glad you are my friend.

Grandma: Thank you for spoiling me all these years. I couldn't have come this far without knowing you are my best cheerleader. I love you!!!

Ellen, Cristina, Stacy, Tammy, Donnelle, Linda, Jeanne, and Eileen: Well girls, we did it!!! I will treasure our friendships and memories forever. Thank you for being there when I needed you for tough times as well as the good times.

Mindy: You taught me how to work hard and play hard. I couldn't be the "Princess of Fun" without you. You are my role model and my friend. I owe you more than I could ever repay you. I will miss you dearly.

Jackie, and the rest of the lab crew: You guys are great. So many great memories of medical school involve you, even if some of you are LOOOOOSERS!!!!

Fredric: So much to say, and so little space. No matter where our futures guide us, we will always have the Merck. Thank you for always being there and putting up with my kvetching. You will always be my friend.

Jennifer Blitz, D.O.

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"That lyf so short, the craft so long to lerne."
Geoffrey Chaucer, The Parliament of Fowls

I would like to thank the following:

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Mom, Dad and Ethan - for your continual love and support, especially in my formative years.

All of my extended family - for helping me along the way (I miss you, Pa).

My closest friends - for the good times and your support.

To everyone else I have met - for the positive influence you have made on my life.

Photographs:
1. Skiing in Vermont with Charlie and Chandra Scott.
2. The beginning to a long education; my first day of kindergarten.
3. My West Coast trip, 1996. College friends Nisa, myself, Aaron and Hills.
4. My family, Christmas 1978.
5. Phi Sig Induction. Myself, Ken, Karl, James, Anthony, Ulrick and Aaron.

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"All animals except man know that the ultimate in life is to enjoy it."
Samuel Butler

Leamon: These past three years have been the happiest of my life. I can't wait to share the rest of my years with you. You've made my bad days good and my good days even better. I love you with all my heart and soul. "A kiss, when all is said, what is it? An oath that's given closer than before; A promise more precise; the sealing of Confessions that till then were barely breathed; A rosy dot placed on the i in loving." Edmund Rostand

Mom, Nanny and Christie: Thanks for all of your unconditional love and support. You've added tons of laughter and giggles to help brighten the days.

Dad: You've always been my guiding light, illuminating the path before me. You will be forever in my heart.

Pamela Boyer, D.O.

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"A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love."
St. Basil

To my family: Everything I am, I owe to you. Your unending love, encouragement, and support, both emotionally and financially, have allowed me to become what I am. You are the wind beneath my wings.
To Mom-You are my best friend. I would have never made it through life without your shoulder to cry on and your constant love and support. I love you more than I can say.
To Dad-You are the inspiration for my success. I admire you so much. I hope that in my life I can make you as proud of me as I am of you. Too often it is left unspoken: I hope you know how much I love and appreciate you.
To Jason- My "little" brother, you're all grown up now. I am so proud of you, and I love you very much.
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Patience and diligence, like faith, remove mountains.

William Penn

MOM AND DAD- Your love, confidence, encouragement and generosity has been my guiding light and without you I would never have found my way to this incredible goal. I hope to one day be as knowledgeable as you both in things other than medicine. You are both my mentors, my friends and my heroes. Thank you for all you have brought to my life in the past and the future. I love you!
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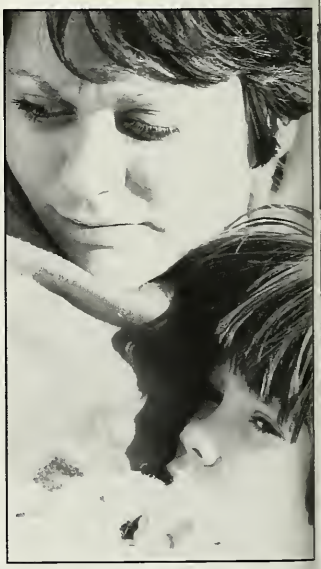
Mom: You are the most beautiful and loving mother who I truly call my best friend. You have been my source of strength for all these years. I owe all my successes to you. Your spirit and soul saw us through this difficult year. You are the wind beneath my wings. I love you.

Dad: You have inspired and enlightened me for all my life. You have instilled in me a strong moral backbone that I rely on everyday. We have grown closer over the years and I cherish the days we spend together. I love you.

Dave: I still remember our first kiss on the steps of Columbia. How magical it seemed then and how incredible our relationship is now. You have captured my heart. I look forward to our lives together. I love you.



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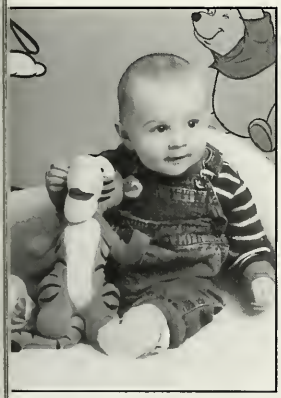
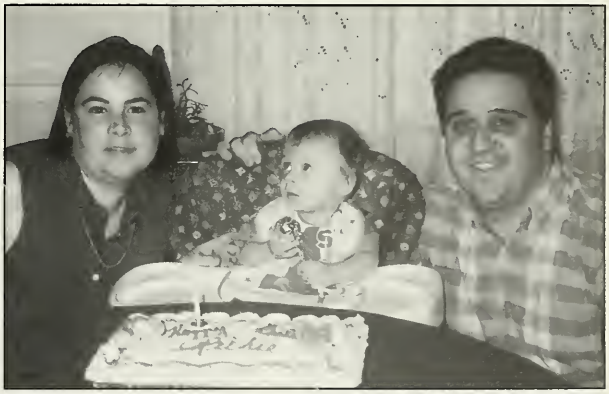
"Success is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm."
Winston Churchill

A friend of mine once said when I started this long journey, "If you fall, pick yourself up again and keep going." Yes, I fell, many times, but we all do. Any goal worth achieving has falls along the way, but if it's your dream, and you are determined, you don't give up so easily. My husband and my family have seen my determination. They have picked me up and helped me to keep going; they have padded the fall, grabbed my hand, and urged me to go on. Graduating medical school is a great feat, but keeping a family together through it is a greater one. For that I owe half my degree, perhaps more, to my family. May God bless all of you.





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"If you have no confidence in self, you are twice defeated in the race of life. With confidence, you have won even before you have started."
Marcus Garvey

He has watched over me. He has comforted me. He has provided me with the nourishment of his love so that I may return his goodness to those who are special to me. First and foremost, I give thanks to **God** for placing me in the position that I am in today.

Mom and Dad
You have been so supportive and have taught me to strive for the best. I worried and complained at times, but you have always comforted me as if you held me in your warm embrace from a distance.

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One arrived with me. One guided me. One followed me. You roughed me up in my younger years, but today you are the stability of my stance.

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Don
Thank you for being there when I needed some support and a laugh. You have truly extended my glowing **SMILE.**

LOVE ALWAYS
AND
CONGRATULATIONS DOCTORS!!!

Ronda L. Broady, D.O.

SUSAN LEIGH BRYAN, D.O.

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"You are not as good as some think you are… you are not as good as you ought to be… but you are far better than you think you are."
Peter Gomes

am and Dad: WOW!!! I can't believe my graduation day has finally arrived. I feel like it was just yesterday that e were starting our family vacation to Georgia when we called home and found out that I had been accepted to COM… I was so excited, nervous, and anxious that all I wanted to do was turn around and go home! Oh… how e last four years have flown by. All the phone calls to wish me luck on exams, the follow-up calls to see how I did, e articles that mom always cut out for me to read, and the cards just to say "I love you." I appreciate everything u do for me! I want to thank you both for all the love, support, and encouragement over the years. I love you!!

olleen, Michelle, and Chris: The best sisters and brother ever… I cannot imagine growing up without you… how ring it would have been in the Bryan household! I always knew that I could come home and at least one of you sually Chris) would want me to practice some of my "osteopathic manipulation." The hardest part was finding a akeshift table to use. Again, I appreciate your support and caring words of encouragement. The three of you make e proud to be your big sister!

lly: Thanks for being such a great roomy throughout 4 years of med school. Who would have known that we would come such good friends after finding out that I went to Susquehanna and you went to Lycoming… our rival! We've d some fun times together and I'm definitely going to miss you next year. Don't worry – you taught me well!! Ha, !

arissa: I really missed living with you after 2nd year… no one screams anymore when they see a spider! Always member our trip to Cancun and Javier and Miguel. I will always look forward to your phone calls about MEN!

eiss: I never would have gotten through 2nd year if it hadn't been for you and your "Top 10 Lists." Maybe I would ve learned more if I hadn't sat next to you, but it wouldn't have been nearly as much fun!

son: Thanks for all the advice on my love-life and your never-ending listening ear!! I will miss our "cappuccino ghts" at Barnes and Noble.

olly and Lardi: I never would have gotten through med school without your constant phone calls!! All the times "act UP", make prank calls, talk about boys, sit around and eat ice-cream and read Cosmo, exchange tids… both you are such wonderful friends!

Susan L. Bryan, DO

EARL MARTIN BRYANT II, D.O.

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"There is no cure for birth or death save to enjoy the interval."

George Santayana

Mom and Dad: I would never have known to shoot for the stars if you hadn't taught me how to look up in the sky.

Kim and Cassie: I couldn't have asked for better sisters to grow up with...and laugh at my bad jokes.

Alexandra: You are the kindest, most beautiful spirit I have ever known. You have taught me so much about life since the day I became your father.

Aaron: I don't know what I'd do without your daily antics; you can always make me laugh. You are such a blessing to me, my son.

-many asked me how I got through medical school with two kids, to which I replied, "how did you do it without them?"

Dalia: Four years ago you agreed to sell the house, move across the country with two young children, raise those children with, at most times, little help and go massively in debt...all so I couldpursue a dream. We have journeyed far together my love, a journey never conceived of but for your tremendous strength, support and love. What a blessing it is to be on this journey with you.

Earl M. Bryant, D.O.

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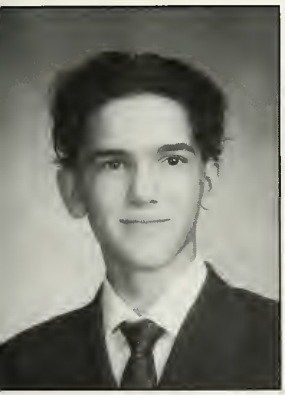
Wilmington, Delaware

"Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything that counts can be counted."
Albert Einstein

Aimee	Without you these past four years would not have occurred. Your time, support, and love made what seemed impossible a reality. In all honesty you deserve a diploma as much as I do. Thank you for sharing this with me. Thank you for making me the happiest man alive. I Love You!
Mom & Dad	All your sleepless nights of worry are over. Your baby finally made it! Thank you for all your support and advice. Thanks for being there when I needed you and also when I didn't. You do now realize that now that I am a physician it would be unethical to give "free medical advice". Just kidding!
Dave	Thanks for being a great brother and helping me see the lighter side of things.
Friends	Thanks for helping me laugh and smile through these four years. I wish all of you my love and support.
Faculty & Physicians	Thank you for providing me with the knowledge and wisdom to face an uncertain future. Observations of many of you helped mold me to be the best physician I could be.



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JEFFREY ALAN BUBIS, D.O.

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What do you do when your real life exceeds your dreams? You keep it to yourself.

Broadcast News

Bubby, this has all been because of you and it will always be for you. You're always in my heart and I will never forget you. ***Pop***, I've wanted you to see this day all of my life. Thanks for always being there.
Mom and Dad. I could never put into words the appreciation I have for all your sacrifices, for all your time, for all your encouragement, and for all your love and support. You nurtured me so that my dreams could come true. When I veered of course, you corrected me. You let me believe I could do anything (even if I had to wear a Jim Londborg shirt in the process). One could never hope for better parents and I hope that Gabby and I will be as good as you are. You made this possible and this moment is as much yours as it is mine. I hope you stay this proud of me forever. I love both of you.
Debbie, I love you and I hope you're half as proud of me as I am of you.
To my other ***Mom and Dad***, thanks for your love and support and for giving me the greatest part of my life – your daughter.
Doc and Osbert, you lifted me up when I was down, straightened me out when I was crooked, and made riding SEPTA worthwhile.
Dr. Lannutti...You have been a teacher, a friend, a mentor, and a confidant. I appreciate your help and honesty over these four years. I can't thank you enough or understate the profound influence you've had on me. You will *always* be my teacher. *(I'm happy... I am...)* ***Dr. Cawen***, I hope that I can touch the lives of my patients as profoundly as you have yours. ***Dr. Fogel***, your passion, your expectation of excellence, and your compassion for the human condition will always serve as the goals towards which I will strive.
To my friends - you made this fun. Let's go save some lives.
Gabby, I've only reached this point because of your love, support, and encouragement (and patience). You've always been there and I don't know what I do without your unconditional love. Nothing I could say here would do my love for you justice. If our future is half as much fun as the past, we're going to have an awesome life together.

Jeffrey Bubis DO

JEFF BURRY, D.O.

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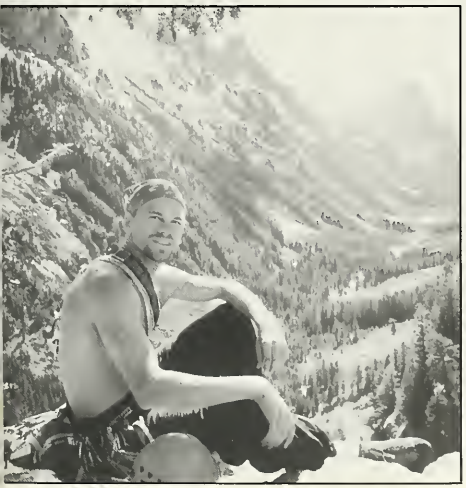
Decatur, Indiana

Measure once, cut three times.
Norm Abraham

Word of advise: Everybody stay here in the lovely city because I'm going to the country.



Stephen Scott Cairone, D.O.

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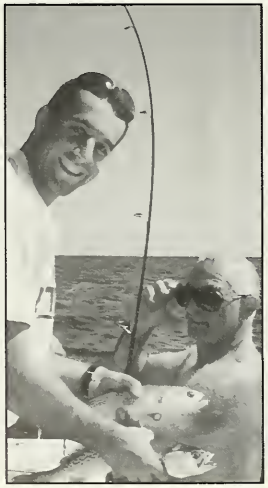
"Believe me, my young friend, there is nothing, absolutely nothing – half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats"
Kenneth Grahame 1908

Mom and Dad: Words cannot express my eternal gratitude to you. This degree is as much yours as it is mine. Thank you for making the past 26 years the best they could be. I could not have asked for anything more from you both. I love you very much.

Lisa, Harry, Joe, Mark, Elizabeth, and Barbara: My sincerest thanks to a great family for years of love and support. You have always been the ones to listen to my opinions and for some reason you still love me. May God grant you everything in life that you want. I've found that if you try you just might get it?

Chris and Ed: I have valued our talks and adventure over the past 4 years. I've learned a lot from you both. Chris, you taught me to be tolerant and open minded. Ed, you taught me how to get a good tan.

Kari: Your encouragement, support and love have made the past 3 years the best yet. You helped put the nonsense of medical school into perspective. I love you more and more everyday and thank you for being so patient.



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Edison, New Jersey

"Never do today what you can put off until tomorrow."

Humphrey Bogart, *The African Queen*

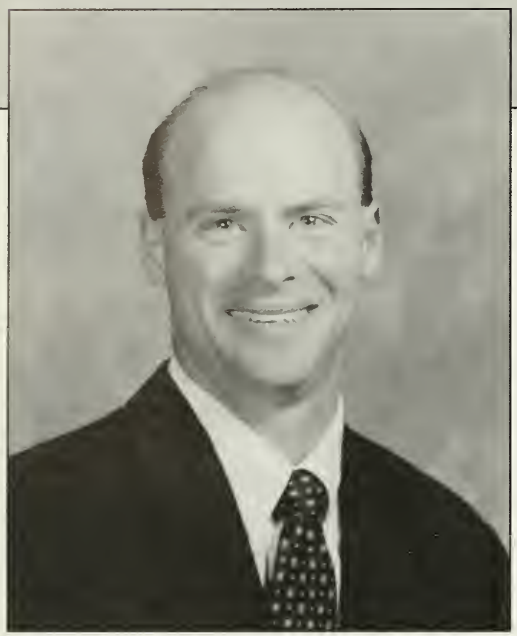
TO MY PARENTS: Whether you realize it or not I am here as a direct result of your generosity, support and guidance. For that I can only say thank you. I only wish that some day I shall be as successful as the both of you have been.

KRISTEN: Well, we did it. We got me through medical school. I can't figure out what is more incredible, that I am a doctor or that you are about to be my wife. You are and always will be my best friend. I look forward to growing even closer to you in the years to come. Marring you is the easiest decision I ever had to make. I shall always love you. "You are my home."

CHEW CHEW: The one guy who stuck by me every hour that I studied.

TO MY FRIENDS: Here's to…
Delihla's; Doll House; Colt 45; "Spilling some out for ma homees"; Cleaning out the rectum; The Carriage House; Maddens; Pitcher's; The alley behind Pitcher's; Cheese Deck; Pat's; The Booby Twins; Marsha; Hiney Girl; Father Time; Coach; Fabio; Thrasher; *Cool Hand Luke*; Oozing of beer, cigars and cheese-steaks; Hung brain; Rancid chili; Rotten teeth; Recycling; Wonderful aromas; "Johnson did it"; "Kooolinski"; A flask of Sambucca; Shenanigan's; Mom; Champagne on the ceiling; Bare Elegance; Darts; 85 in a 65; I.V. + Foley = Hang-over cure; Gator's; Iron House; Club Elite; Club Erotica; Red Beard's Yacht Club; Blimp pilots; Race-car drivers; Porn Stars; "A dog that could piss this stuff…"; A.C.; The Epic Buffet; Filet Mignon @ 4 a.m.; 9/19 trio; Fondue; Skeet shooting; the impossible sit up; McDonald's instead of a filet; and last but not least "P = D.O."

JOHN CHRISTOPHER CAPREZ, D.O.



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Chester Heights, Pennsylvania

All your life
You were only waiting for this moment to arise

-The Beatles

MOM &DAD

I feel that I am always thanking you for some act of good parenting, yet I just can't express my gratitude adequately. Your love and guidance enabled me to achieve most of my goals thus far in life. I only wish to make you proud. Thanks again.

SCOTT

I'm sure you'll be shocked when I finally get a real job and start paying for things (i.e. dinner and tickets). Thanks for everything you have done for me. I am fortunate to have you for both a brother and a best friend.

ROOMATES

We made it through four years together and remained close friends. I guess away rotations, a big house, and a beer miester helped the situation. The most significant factor in our successful cohabitation was that you are all nice people. Good luck with your careers and weddings. I'll really miss you guys. Keep in touch.

CLOSE FRIENDS

How did we manage to have so much fun during the course of medical school? I am fortunate to have friends who are such bad influences. We will forget a lot of what we were taught during the past four years, but we will never forget one another.

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Blakeslee, Pennsylvania

"Faith is to believe what you do not yet see; the reward for this faith is to see what you believe." St. Augustine

Let me first say thank you to all of my family and all of my friends. You have been so very supportive and given me so much . From the bottom of my heart I thank you.

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Aaron-Finally did it didn't we !

Vincent J. Carsillo D.O.

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University of Maryland at Baltimore, M.S.
Silver Spring, Maryland

"Learn as though you would never be able to master it; Hold it as though you would be in fear of losing it." Confucius (551-479 BC)

MOM AND DAD: Words could never express my thanks for all your support and unconditional love. I would not be the person I am today without all your sacrifice, guidance, and generosity. You've taught me to give myself fully, to live to the fullest, and to be the best I can be. I love you!

Mom, it's almost four years since we've lost you to cancer. I miss you dearly. As I trotted through med. school, your motto " The greatest accomplishment is *not* in never falling, but in rising every time you fall" kept me going. Your spirit lives within me. You're always in my heart.

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Finally to my **dear friends**: Thank you for keeping my sanity in tact and for the wonderful times we've shared. I will forever cherish our friendship. Good luck and best wishes to the Class of 1999.

Joan C. Chang D.O.

BETH ANNE CLARK, D.O.

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"What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us."
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Mom, so much of who I am I owe to you. From you I learned independence, the confidence to create goals for myself, the determination to pursue them, and the understanding to accept and learn from disappointments along the way. Thank you for always reminding me that aiming high and missing is not a failure, but that aiming low and hitting may be. Throughout the years, your love, support, guidance, and encouragement have meant the world to me.

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Beth A. Clark, D.O.

Elizabeth Annemarie Colella, D.O.

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Thank you to my husband for his constant unselfish support of both my school endeavors, and my lifelong dream to be a mother. You have given me a beautiful daughter, Hannah, the first of our family and it has taken a lot of extra work to make it happen during this hectic time in our lives. Thank you for sticking with me and making my dreams come true.

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Elizabeth A. Colella D.O.

RICCARDO COLELLA, D.O.

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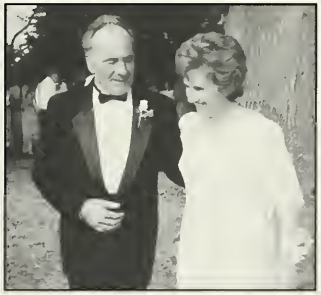
"Blessed is he who carries within himself a God and an ideal and who obeys it-an ideal of art, of science, or gospel virtues. Therein lies the springs of great thoughts and great actions."
Louis Pasteur

It is with great pride and honor that I dedicate this degree to my mother, Rocca, and the loving memory of my father, Mario. Your courage, sacrifice, and love inspire me.

Dad: I wish nothing more than to have you see the fruit of your labor. Brick by brick, you have laid the foundation upon which I stand. You have taught me the relationship between gentleness and true strength. Your light will continue to shine through me, in thought and action.
Mom: You are my greatest source of inspiration, teaching me the meaning of charity and compassion. Your unwavering faith in my abilities helped me through my most trying times. In your eyes, I was capable of any task and that made all the difference. I can never thank you enough.
Carlo: At critical times in my life, you have steered me down the right path. You are a wonderful brother and man. Thank you for your wisdom and concern.
Antonella: Your selflessness allowed me the freedom to grow and learn. I could never have done this without you. Wise beyond your years, excellence in so many areas, an incredible sister and friend.
Sally, Mario, Michael, Clay, Nonna and the rest of my family: Thanks for your love and support.
Frank, Paul, Jeff, Earl, Julia and so many others: Your friendship made this journey enjoyable.

Luctor et Emergo



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SHANNON MARGRET CONRAD, D.O.

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Of all the words ever cried, the saddest three, "I never tried"
Unknown Author

TO MOM AND DAD: Thank you for the support, the love, and the belief that I could do anything if I tried. I love you both.
TO MY BROTHER KEVIN: Thank you for the support, love and the laughs!
TO MY GRANDMOTHER: Thank you for your unfailing pride in everything I've ever accomplished.
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Shannon M. Conrad, D.O.

KAREN ANN COUSINS, D.O.

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"Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness." Mother Teresa

I first want to give thanks, honor, and praise to the Lord who has watched over me, blessed me, and directed my path.

To My Parents: I Love you! My gratefulness and thanks for all you have done for me can not be expressed into words. Your unconditional love, support, guidance, and encouragement have enabled me to reach my goals. You believed in me when sometimes I did not believe in myself. I thank the Lord everyday for you both, and your presence in my life.

To My Sister, "The Queen" : I'm thankful for having such a great big 'sis' You're a wonderful confidant, inspirer, and counselor. Thanks for always being there when I need you, and for being a positive force in my life. I love you!

To Kirstin and Kayla: I have truly enjoyed watching you two grow up! The sound of your voices, or sight of your smiles fill my heart with such joy. Aunt Karen loves you!

To James: You fill my life with love and happiness, and make my soul smile! I thank the Lord for your presence in my life, and I look forward to spending the rest of my life with you. I love you sweetie!

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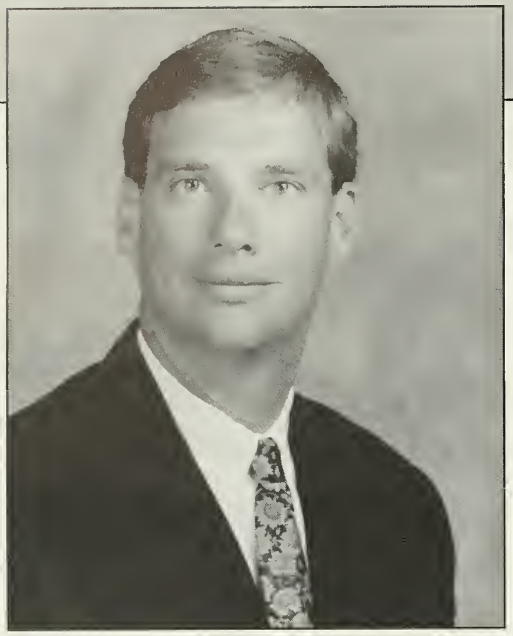

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We are what we repeatly do. Excellence therefore is not an act, but a habit.
Aristotle

Since the first day of medical school, I have carried a notebook in which I have written small statements that I thought were noteworthy but would be lost in the daily shuffle if I didn't write them down. I have collected about 30 quotes, which is too many for this space. I have chosen a few that mean a lot to me. I frequently will read these quotes when I need to refocus.

"Man often becomes what he believes himself to be. If I keep on saying to myself that I cannot do certain tasks, it is possible that I will really become incapable of doing that task. On the contrary, if I have the belief that I can do it, I shall surely acquire the capacity to do it even if I may not have had it in the beginning." -Mahatma Gandhi

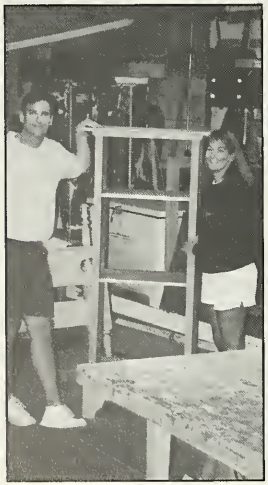
"Not all patients read the same textbooks as we do." -Dean Dobbert, M.D.

"Teach the tongue to say "I don't know" and thou shall progress." -Maimonides

"Speak softly and carry a big stick". -Teddy Roosevelt

And finally, to my wife Cheryl. Although you knew the plan, neither of us knew how much more difficult this would be for you then me. Thank you for putting my needs in front of your needs for 4 long years. The end is near. Your love has made this odyssey much more manageable. I love you very much.

Paul T Cowan Jr D.O.



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Do I contradict myself? Very well, then I contradict myself, I am large, I contain multitudes.
Walt Whitman

MOM & DAD:
Words can't express how grateful I am for all that you have given me and everything you have done. Mom, I thank you for your compassion for people and life, your willingness to sacrifice so that others may have, your spirit, your kindness, laughing often, your support, your creativity, for the holidays, your work ethic, your hugs, taking anyone in your home and making them feel welcome, your charisma, and for your love. Dad, I thank you for your strength, your smiles, your wit, your nature, your work ethic, for never allowing us to feel the pressures of money, for giving to anyone who is in need, your understanding, your intellect, your strong-will, and for your love.
COLEY:
Thank you for your advice, making me laugh and showing me fun times.
CELINE:
Thank you for your great laugh, talking too much and missing the punch line.
CHANISE:
Thank you for speaking your mind, listening to me complain and your strength.
DAMON:
Thank you for your smirks, your sarcastic side comments, and just being relaxed.
DUSTIN:
Thank you for our in-depth conversations, your dance moves along with your dance face, and always contradicting me.

Donnelle L. Crouse, D.O.

George W. Cummings, III, D.O.

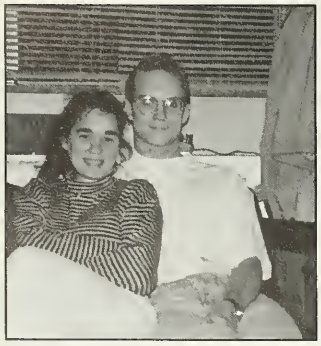
Juniata College, B.S.
Portage, Pennsylvania

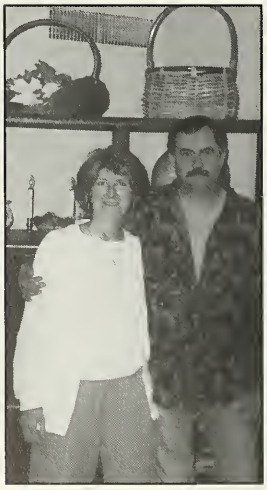
Mom and Dad: What can I say.... Thanks for everything... everything I am and everything I will become. Without you, none of it would have been possible.

Damian: Your the best brother and best friend I could have ever hoped for. Always remember, nothing comes between blood.

Kristie: We've built a life together over the last 6+ years and by the time you read this, our commitment to each other will be a permanent one. I am glad I have chosen you to be the one I spend the rest of my life with. Thank you for being so patient and for supporting all of my decisions.

To my friends, new and old: No one can understand what your going through except for those who are going through it with you. Thanks for being there. May the bonds of friendship we have established continue for years to come, as the "G Train" keeps rolling on.





George W Cummings III, D.O.

Robert Anthony Czincila, D.O.

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There are times when in order to keep ourselves in existence at all, we simply have to sit back for a while and do nothing.
Thomas Merton

I remember sitting at a kitchen table with a friend and saying well one test down about a million more to go. That was four short years ago....it's amazing how slowly time goes by when you're a child and how quickly it disappears when you grow older. I'd like to wish everyone health, happiness and a prosperous future. Cherish every moment, live every second as your last and never forget where each of us began.

Robert A. Czincila, D.O.

JILL D'AMICO, D.O.

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What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us Ralph Waldo Emerson

To my father whose memory I carry in my heart.

To my mother who gives unconditionally.

To my husband, the love of my life.

To my daughter whose smile lights up my day.

To my friends and family for their endless support.

All of my accomplishments I owe to each of you. Words cannot possibly express how fortunate I feel.

Jill D'Amico, D.O.

JULIA MARIE D'AMORA, D.O.

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Southampton, Pennsylvania

"The most acceptable service to God is doing good to man."
Benjamin Franklin

DEDICATED TO MY FAMILY

Well what do you say when a dream comes true? I can only thank those who made it possible. Mom, Dad and Chris, it is only with your support that I was able to fulfil this dream. We are all told as children that we have a special gift. You are my gift. I will continue to use this gift to make you proud of me as a physician. Above all, I will always be there for you if you should need anything just as you were there for me. I love you!!!

To my best friends, Nancy and Terry: It was a rocky road but you weathered the storm. Thank you. Your support, encouragement and humor enabled me to stay focused on my dream. I am forever indebted to you.

To my colleagues at PCOM: It has been a pleasure to learn and grow with you. Our paths will lead us down different roads and I wish all of you a smooth and peaceful ride.

Julia M. D'Amora D.O.

LEAMON L. DAVENPORT, D.O.

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We've removed the ceiling above our dreams. There are no more impossible dreams.

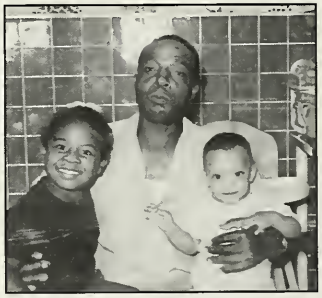
Jesse Jackson

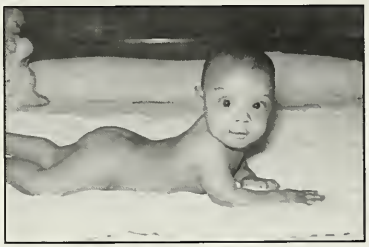
We must not, in trying to think about how we can make a big difference, ignore the small daily differences we can make.

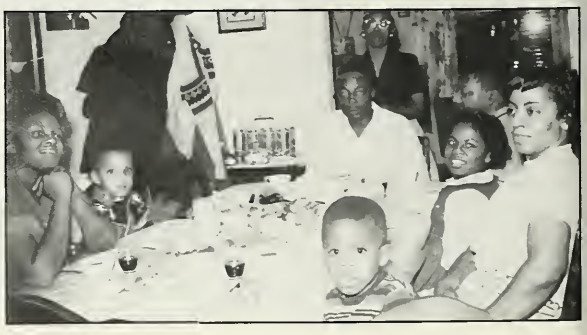
-Marion Wright Edelman

I could not have achieved this accomplishment without the many contributions made by those important in my life. I thank God for all blessings. I thank Mom for all her strength and selflessness. I thank Shas for her support and compassion. I thank Pam for her love, understanding and patience. Many others have lent different elements to my character and it is relatively impossible to acknowledge everyone. I've been blessed with family and friends whose prayers, thoughts and well wishes have sustained me throughout my life. How do I measure each contribution? I could not have come so far without their help!

I know in my heart that they all still sustain me today as I continue on this path. I only hope that one day I'll be fortunate enough to be remembered for having touched a life in the profound way they have touched mine.







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...freely ye have received, freely give.

Matthew 10:8

With special remembrance of Lisa Gehris.

I have dreamed about the end of this journey for almost 20 years, but I now realize sometimes the end is really only the beginning.

I thank God for placing me on the path toward medical school and keeping me there, even through the detours. Without Him, this moment would never have come and without Him, none of it would be worth it. *I can do all things through God who strengthens me.* (Phillipians 4:8). May He continue to use me according to His will.

To my parents: How can I thank my two biggest fans for a lifetime of joy, unconditional love, unwavering support, and mutual admiration? This is your accomplishment as much as it is mine. I love you both so very much.

To Mark & Steve: You've endured my histrionics, questionable caretaking skills, and sage advice with a smile on your faces and love in your hearts. You are the best little brothers anyone could ask for and I love you.

To my family & friends: Thank you for supporting my dream all these years with love and understanding. I love you, Mom Mom. Thanks, Juanita - you're my girl!

To the PCOM gang: Thanks for sharing the great times, keeping me sane through the bad times, and most of all for believing in me even when I didn't believe in myself. You guys are the best! (P.S. I kept track of all the times I overpaid and you guys owe me $3,217.97).

Cristina, now we *really* got a boss...

—, D.O.

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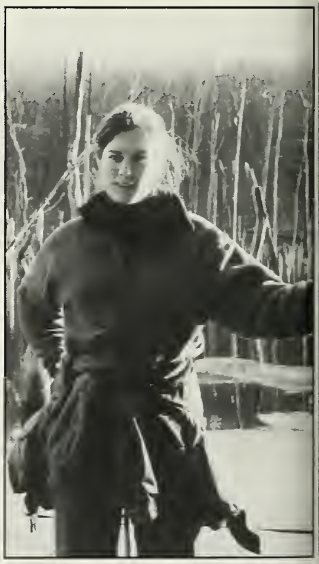

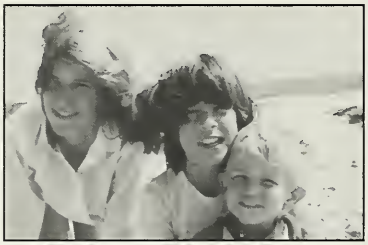

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ccess: to laugh often and much;...to find the best in others;...to know that even one fe has breathed easier because you have lived.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Tucked away in our subconscious is an idyllic vision. We see ourselves on a long trip that spans the continent. We are traveling by train...Uppermost in our minds is the final destination. Bands will be playing and flags waving. Once we get there our dreams will come true, and the pieces of our lives will fit together like a jigsaw puzzle. How restlessly we pace the aisles, damming the minutes for loitering...waiting...for the station.

Sooner or later we must realize that there is no station, no one place to arrive at once and for all. The true joy of life is the trip. The station is only a dream. It constantly outdistances us.

Relish the moment...It isn't the burdens of today that drive men mad. It is the regrets over yesterday and the fear of tomorrow...twin thieves who rob us of today...So stop pacing the aisles and counting the miles. Instead, climb more mountains, eat more ice cream, go barefoot more often, swim more rivers, watch more sunsets, laugh more, cry less. Life must be lived as we go along. The station will come soon enough.

-Robert J. Hastings

To my parents, family, and friends: Thank you for your support and unconditional love.

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I hear and I forget. I see and I believe. I do and I understand.

Confucius

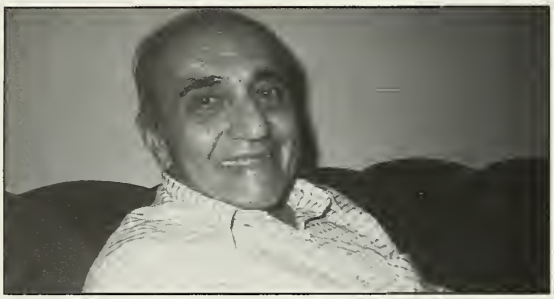
***Mom and Dad*:** Thanks for giving me everything I've ever wanted in life, the most important being my education. Things don't last forever ... an education does. I love you both very much.

Hetal: You are my one, my only, my everything ... I LOVE YOU!

Bhai and Bhabhi: Your little bro's going to be a doc! Thanks for all your support through the years and for being there when things didn't go quite the way I had expected. I love you both.

My Friends: You've all been there for me, through thick and thin, through the turbulence of life as a medical student. I wish you all the best of luck in your careers and lives. In the words of the immortal Vince Lombardi, "The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor."

THIS PAGE IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF LAXMICHAND M. DHRUVA AND GUNVANTLAL B. KOTHARI. DADAJI AND PAPA, I KNOW YOU'LL ALWAYS BE WATCHING OVER ME.



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"What you perceive yourself to be, you will become."

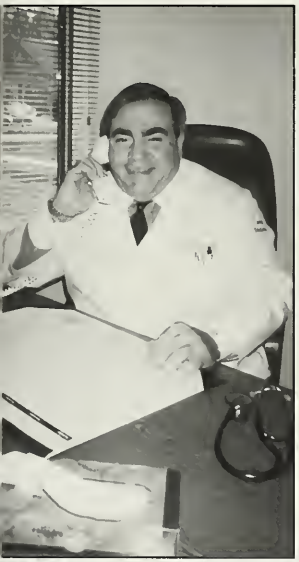
Elaine (Correnti) DiBruno

Mom and Dad: Thank you for your support, wisdom, confidence, and unconditional love. Your belief and example in the importance of education made this day possible. I pray that I will be as good of a parent as you are to me. I love you very much!

Joey: Thanks for your smiles, laughter & comic relief, the meals at Denny's and Unos, and for always being there. I am very proud of all of your accomplishments and am truly blessed to have you as my brother. I love you dearly!

Julius Mingroni, D.O. '74: You have been my inspiration. Thank you for all of the advice and pep talks. I am truly honored to call you a relative, mentor, friend, and now a colleague. I will always be grateful for your constant support through the years. You will always hold a very special place in my heart. I love you!

Chris: You have made these past four years bearable and enjoyable. We make a terrific team as friends, physicians, and on October 2, 1999, as husband and wife. I am looking forward to spending the rest of our lives together. I love you with all my heart!



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"What is meant to be, will be."

A comforting quote heard quite often by D. Gracia and me.

Dreams do come true, although not easily.

My friends and family: Your love and support mean so much to me. Thank you and God bless you all.
Meus queridos paizinhos, o vosso amor e suporte tem me ajudado a conseguir o meu sonho. Eu sei que estes anos nao tem sido facil e agradeco-vos com todo o meu coracao e agradeco a Deus por vos me dar.

Tia: It hasn't been easy for you but thank you for your love, your words of encouragement, for those great escapes, for always being there for me even when "there" was across the world.

Steffy: The best roommate – WOW- somehow you managed to live with me. There is no way I can express all I have to say in here ... We have gone through so much together these past four years, but together we managed to get through it. I will never forget all those "moments" at our kitchen table (shoo fly pie, expressos, Ben & Jerry's, and the parmesan cheese). I thank you for sharing your life with me. You have made an impact on me and on my life that will never be forgotten.

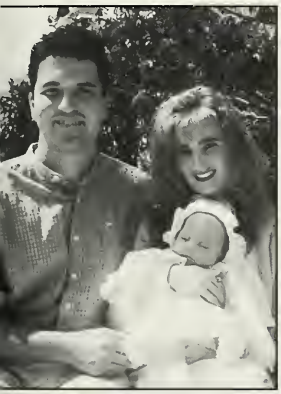
Sandi: I still say that without you I would never have entered medical school. Thank You. Thank You for always being there for me even now when your life is so hectic as a new mom. Congratulations.

Rose: It has been many years with many changes in our lives but I am very glad and grateful that our friendship has remained a constant. Keep going for those dreams...

Lou: Everyone should have a friend like you who knows exactly what to say and when to say it. Thank You.

Debbie, Ronda, Sherri, Vernicka, Pete, Karen, Alicia, James, Anthony, Kerry, Crystal: It has been a long four years... I am very honored to have met you all and to have enjoyed so many fun moments together.

To everyone CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!!!!



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We are merely players, performers and portrayers, each anothers audience outside the guilded cage.

Shakespeare

I would like to dedicate this page to my family and friends for whom this would not have been possible. I thank you for your time and consideration.

"Sunshine is the laughter of nature. Live out in the sunshine. The sun and air are good medicine. Nature is a good nurse. The laws of nature cannot be changed and must be obeyed if we are to stay healthy. There are no exceptions. It is for all of that that we must endeavor to retain the spirit of youth. Thus, it is this spirit embraced by nature whom identifies and propels me."

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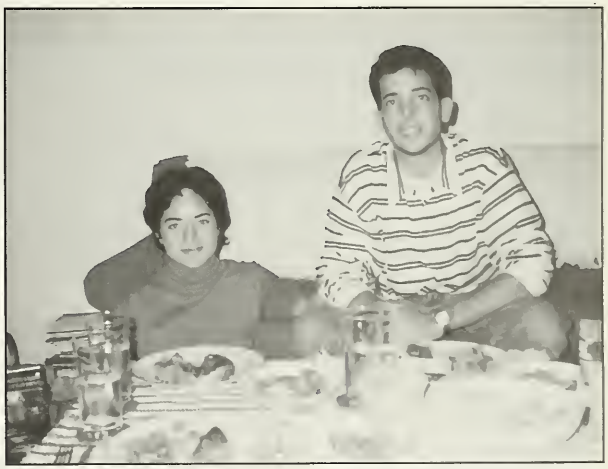
There is nothing like a dream to create the future.
Victor Hugo

In Loving Memory

of

My Father



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Never let the fear of striking out get in your way.
Babe Ruth

To my Mom and Dad: For years you have helped nurture my dream and now it has become a reality. You're right mom...you really can do anything you put your mind to. Your love and support helped me through the last few years and has made me who I am today. I am grateful for all you've done for me, and I love you very much.

To David: Thanks for your curiosity - you kept me sharp. Having a conversation with you is like taking a comprehensive exam - you never know what you'll need to know. I wish you and Regina the greatest of happiness in your lives together. Thanks for everything: it's your turn now.

To my Roommates: Thanks for putting up with me through all the stressful times. You have made the last few years so much fun and have been a constant and welcomed reminder that there is more to life than med. school. Thanks for all of your advice and encouragement.

To all my friends: You've helped me get where I am today. Thanks for the fun and the memories. Our good times together kept me sane over the last few years.

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"The most beautiful experience we can have is the mysterious . It is the fundamental notion which stands at the cradle of true art and true science." Albert Einstien

Dear Lord: My thanks to you can not be over emphasized. Thank you for making these four years a success . I am grateful for the enormous strength, good health and discipline you have given me - which indeed enabled me to excel in my studies and yet do a lot more than anyone is expected to handle outside of medical school.

My Husband: Johnson, words are not enough to thank you for your immense support through the years. You made my tax more bearable. Thanks for your care and love for me and the children.

My children: Amanda, Brian, and Micheal, I love you. You are the best . Thanks for being so good through the four years . Your love and discipline gave me the strength to move on.

Mom and Dad: Thank you for being the best parents a girl could ever hope for.

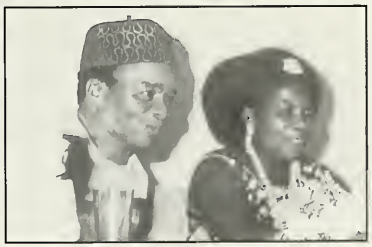
Mom : Virginia, thank you for your everlasting love and support. Thank you for teaching me to be strong.

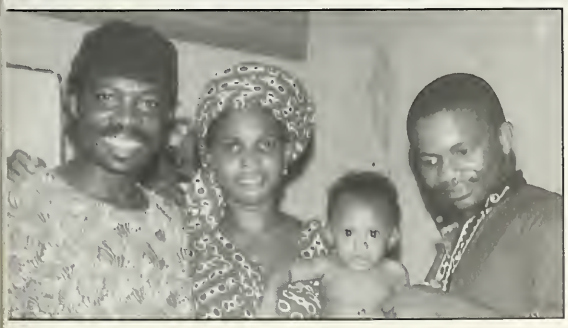
Dad: Innocent, bless your soul. I wish you were here, but I know you are here in spirit with me to today. Thanks for believing in me . I love you dearly, and I shall carry on the legacy you had led. I miss you.

Brother: Victor, may your soul rest in peace. You are with me today for a Christian never dies. I love you and thanks for your brotherly love.

Mother-in-law : Jolly mama- Thanks for broadening my view on life, your carefree attitude and your day-long songs that fill the thin air.

To my family in general: -Here, back in Nigeria and elsewhere abroad, you are the most important people in my life and really my inspiration to this road of success! Thanks to myclassmates - Best wishes and God bless.





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"You gotta want it"
R.K.

For all those who played a role in making me the person I am and the physician I will be.

Mom & Dad: I will always be grateful for the sacrifices you two have made so that I had the opportunity to do this. Thank you for your love and support along the way. I am very proud to be your son.

Gram Reedy: You are the one who believed in me most. I am thankful that I will always have you for encouragement when I need it.

Gram, Paps, Aunt Win: I miss you all. You are my inspiration. I know you are proud.

Aunt Carol & Uncle Stud: Your guidance and training in the ways of the "SS" has made all the difference in my life. Unnnhhh!

Don: Let em' drop! Thanks for being an uncle, friend, and mechanic.

Jon, Scatman, Chris, Phatts, Dan, Mic, Kutch, Erin, Bishop, Jenn, Hallie, and Friends:
All of the accomplishments I have thus far would mean nothing without the great times we have had together. Let's step it up and tweak it out! Life is short, let's pick our spot and take it!

Class of 1999: Best of luck to you all.

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"Excellence in any department can be attained only by the labor of a lifetime; it is not to be purchased at a lesser price"
Samuel Johnson

To PCOM classes of the future: Enjoy the journey.

To my friends, who walked the walk with me: I will always treasure the special memories of medical school—they were incredibly fun times for me.

To my parents, who set the stage for my life: Your continued support and encouragement have seen me through a lot of years and training for two careers.

To my children, who give life its real meaning: I have never forgotten that it was all of you who made the real sacrifices so I could pursue my dreams.

To my wife and best friend: You are everything I am not—you complement me perfectly. Without you I am not whole.

Much love and sincerest thanks to all.

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'ou can do anything you want. You are bound by nothing."
Robin Williams, *Good Will Hunting*

lom and Dad: Thank you for your never ending love and encouragement. You have acrificed so much to make my life easier than your own; I am forever grateful.

laria and Carol, my "big sisters": I guess one of us had to become a DO!! It seems like nly yesterday when the two of you were hiding me from Mom behind the couch or making e eat yellow snow. Thanks for all your support.

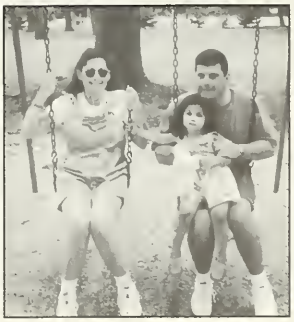
)arsh and Peter: Thank you for accepting me into your families as a brother-in-law, but most mportantly thank you for always treating my sisters with love and respect.

'o the administration of PCOM: Thank you for giving me opportunity to achieve my goal f becoming a physician.

'o my "boys" from PENN: Don't ever forget all the good times especially those in which e were too drunk to remember.

'o all my friends and colleagues from PCOM: Thanks for putting up with me for four years. Ve should never forget all those people who have greatly impacted our education for better r worse while at PCOM, especially Doris, Dr. Meals, Dr. Fogel, Dr. Gimpel, the Nicholas rothers, Dean Veit, Dr. E., Johnny "the Bull" Simelero, Kuchera & Kuchera, Dean Fox, and ast but certainly not least, Hank.

hannon: Ever since you came into my life you have given me nothing but love and happiness. Vo matter what our futures hold, you will always hold a special place in my heart. Love always, Chuck.



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You can always borrow the money, you can never buy back the time.
Unknown

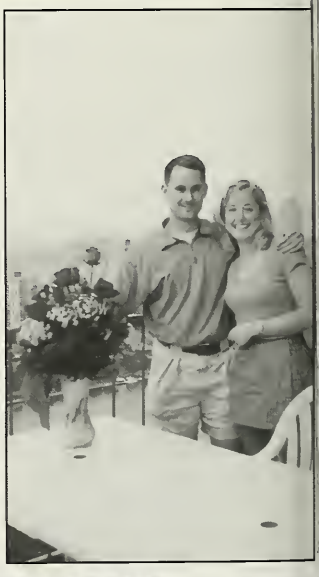
Mom and Dad: Thank you very much for all the guidance and encouragement throughout all the years. I love you both very much!

Molly: The best sister a brother could have. Congrats on graduation from OT school!

Derek: The most adventurous and coolest brother in the world. Work hard in everything you do and you'll absolutely be a success!

Heather: My best friend in the world! Can't wait for our life together. Sept 4th, 1999 Yeah baby!

#1: My beautiful mom and sister.
#2: My good buddy Kevin and I competing once again.
#3: Our engagement. 6-12-98. Grandview Saloon, Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh, PA I love you. Heather!
#4: My brother Derek, the world traveler, and me in Holland Sept 1997.
#5: The painless dentist, my dad, and his next victim, my brother Derek.
#6: The Findlan family at graduation from Purdue University 1994.
#7: My beautiful sister, Molly, and Dad.
#8: Heather and I enjoying a cold one in Prague, Czech Republic Sept 1997.



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"Good things come to those who wait.."
"A smile goes a long way to a successful future.."
My mother, Linda S. Fischer

Mom and Dad: Words cannot express how grateful I am for your unconditional love, support, encouragement and guidance throughout my life and during my journey to achieve my goals. I am so lucky and fortunate to have parents like the both of you. I love you both very much. You mean the world to me.

Tracy: For the past nine years and a lifetime ahead, I thank you for all of your love, support and understanding. You are the greatest thing that ever happened to me. Thanks for being my lover and my best friend. I love you always and forever!

Mark: My big brother and friend who I look up to, you have always been there for me. Thank you for your guidance and support. I look forward to someday being in practice with you: Drs. Fischer and Fischer.

My extended family and friends:
Thank you for your love and friendship watching me mature and grow into the person I am today. I know my grandparents, Morris and Bessie, would be so proud of me on my accomplishments and are smiling down on me from above.

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"May your heritage be forever your guiding light"
Livia E. Bitton Jackson

In loving memory of my grandmother, Sarah Boyarsky:
You are forever in my heart.

To my wonderful family and friends:
I would like to express my gratitude for your unconditional love, support, guidance and encouragement. Without you, this dream would not have been possible. I will always be grateful.

"When we invest our care in others, our positive feelings grow and spread; others respond with their love, and the richness of this shared experience uplifts the quality of life everywhere. Our care and joy grow stronger, and we increase our ability to deepen and expand our true concern for others. When we base our lives on caring, our relationships have a sound and healthy foundation, and we have the strength to deal skillfully with anything that arises".
-Tarthang Tulku

"There are two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle".
-Albert Einstein.

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If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost:
That is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.
Henry David Thoreau

Kelly: five years ago I met a girl who changed my life — the woman of my dreams. Your support and encouragement throughout medical school made the most difficult days seem easy. You are truly a special person who makes me laugh, brings a smile to my face, and has made me a better person.

My Parents: completion of medical school is as much a success for me as it is a tribute to you. Your love, support, and encouragement over the last 25 years have enabled me to strive to complete all my goals. What I have been able to accomplish and who I am today is a direct result of your guidance and nurturing.

Jared: to the best little brother someone could have. Penn State enabled our relationship to grow even more. I miss you being down the hall. Follow your dreams and don't settle for anything but the best.

Weiss, Susan, Sally, Gejer, Dupree: five tremendous friends who have made the ups and downs of medical school so much more fun. I feel I share a special bond with each of you. Best of luck in the future.

We Are ..... Penn State!

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Looking back over the past few years, I realize that God strategically placed people in my life when I needed help. When I started down this road I thought I was invincible. I was naive. If it had not been for many individuals' help, my picture would not be found among these pages. The journey was demanding, and at times seemingly relentless. I thank God for putting such individuals in my life, and I thank those individuals for being so caring, sympathetic, and uplifting in so many wonderful ways. Thank you...

My Wife— You and I have completed this journey. It is because of you, and God, that I am the man I am today. Without you, or God, I would never see the mountain's top. Thank you for lifting my brow, when it hanged low, and lengthening my stride when it was short. I love you, Tiffany.

Mr. & Mrs. Tracey— You are the epitome of what I envision God to want parents to be. Words can not express my thankfulness. I love you, Mom and Dad.

Friends & Family- My diploma is not just a certificate in my eyes, but a rich tapestry woven with threads of experiences and lessons you have given me throughout my medical school experience. I hope when you see me you realize that you had a hand in making me the physician I am today. Thank you...

Thank You—God, Dr. Wisely, William B. Swihart, MS, Tye, R.C. or Pumpkin, L.P., Greg, Ms. Mullis, The Multiple Mullis Family, Bob Cuzzolino, Ph.D., D. Wilcox, Ph.D. Chris, Betsy Eads, D.O., Harvey and Margaret, Tyler and Zoey, L.T.

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"To know that you do not know is best, To pretend to know when you do not is a disease."
author unknown

MOM and DAD: We made it . . . this sure beats dipping ice cream . . . and after 21 years of school, you are still my greatest teachers . . . through you I have learned how to love, how to persevere, and how to be the best possible person I can be. This degree is yours too . . . it may be time to buy those party hats. I love you.

Thank-you also . . .
to my sister, **LAURA**, who believes in me more than I do;
to **POPPY** (my guardian angel) for my first stethoscope;
to **GRAM** for treating me like a physician before I knew which side the liver was on;
to **LIV** for the fine art collection you made for me on "100 ways to permanently maim yourself with a highlighter"
to my **FRIENDS** (and now fellow physicians) who walked with me along this journey;
and finally to **KENNETH**. . . the love of my life . . . for asking me to dinner . . . it's hard to believe there was ever a time when you weren't right here inside my heart.

Thank-you all for being a constant source of strength and love in my life . . . without you, my dream would still be just a dream.

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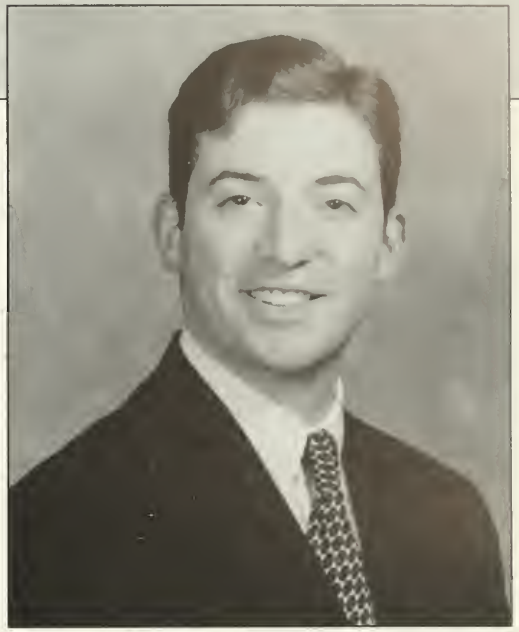
"What lies behind us and what lies before us, are tiny matters, compared to what lies within us."
Ralph Waldo Emerson



I must thank everyone who made this achievement possible. This page is in honor of all of you:

Mom, Ken and Mike: I could never thank you for all you have done. All my life, you provided me with the tools I needed to succeed and were always there with a helping hand and encouraging words. Thanks for believing in me and raising me with the confidence to trust myself and follow my dreams. Bro, thanks for being more than my brother, but also my friend, and best man.

Dad and Lori: Thanks for your support and for listening to all of my stories and sharing in the experience of this journey with me.

My Chapman family, Donald and KK: You have always made me feel like part of the family. Thanks for supporting Denise and I all these years as we pursue our dreams together.

My PCOM friends: Thanks for making the last four years of my life such memorable ones.

Denise: My love, my wife, and my best friend. I could never have done this without you. Thank you for your patience and understanding, for your love and friendship, and for all the sacrifices you made to help me reach this goal. I will never be able to thank you enough for going through all of this with me, but I plan to spend the rest of my life trying. Oh Denise, Because You Loved Me, In the Still of the Night, I Will Always Love You! You have always been there, by my side, every single day, even back when I never thought I would be here. Thank you for sharing this life with me and for being the wonderful woman you are————**-I Love You!!**

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"... be kind and tenderhearted to one another, and forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Jesus Christ." Ephesians 4:32

What a wonderful and exciting time for all of us!!!

I'd like to thank all of the special people I have met and who supported me through this sometime crazy period. These people include my family, who have watched me change into a "professional" ... and who made sure I would lose my "amateur status." My friends have made sure that I had fun and were that needed "crutch" to help me in my walk. The patients and instructors deserve a thank you as well; however, I have to save the biggest thank you for last! Jesus Christ deserves all the credit and glory ... without Him, I can do nothing!

Special words of wisdom ... hmmm! That's a tough one! You need to keep fit - so exercise in all aspects of your life. I recommend church and step aerobics. You also need to have the faith of a child - so watch your Teletubbies and Power Rangers ... and remember the following:

"The truth is important, but so are your friends ... and if you can have them both, then it's a good life!" Harriet the Spy

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"Whatever you are, be a good one."
Abraham Lincoln

Patty: You are my best friend, my love, and my life. With humor and love you helped guide me through these difficult years, for that I am grateful. Wherever the future may find us, and it may be uncertain at times, it will always be home with you. I love ye!

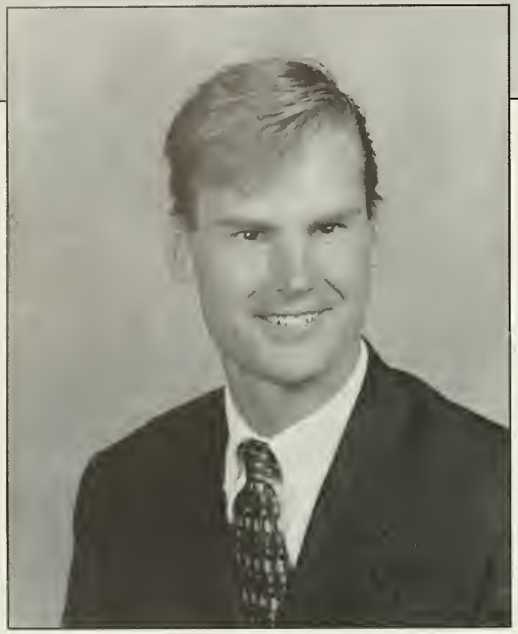
Mom and Dad: Thank you for teaching sound values and instilling a strong work ethic. You have equipped me with all the tools necessary to live a happy and productive life. I love you very much.

Mark, Mary, Steve, and Jeremy: I am proud of each of you. Thank you for offering support and providing a diversion from the books.

Big Peg: I made it! All your prayers and warm thoughts helped deliver me to this point. I have gained tremendous satisfaction in making you proud. Thanks for being my number one fan. I love you.

Lawrence M. Gibbons

PATRICK E. GILHOOL, D.O.



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Perseverance: "Patience and tenacity of purpose are worth more than twice their weight of cleverness" Thomas Henry Huxley

I dedicate this page to my parents who taught me how to set goals and how to do my best to achieve them.

I wish to say thank-you to all my friends and family who supported me through my pauper years: Mom and Dad, Bonnie, Jim, Katie, Chris, Paul, Michael, The Judge, Kristin, Uncle Bill, Mom-Mom, Binky, Colm, Paul, Rob, James, KOB, John and Paige, Jason, Scotty, Kelly, Camille, Ian, Jessica, Megan, John, Eric, Allison, Lilly and Hannah Rose.

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It is our responsibilities, not ourselves, that we should take seriously.
Peter Ustinov

To my parents: For your encouragement and support and for always telling me to reach for the stars while keeping my feet on the ground. You have always made me feel like a star. Thank you just doesn't seem like enough.

To Mamo: For sharing the life in your years and the wisdom of your life: I love you!

To my sisters, Re, Kate, Mo, Biz, Cam, and Clare, the next D.O.: We are so lucky to have each other. So different, yet cut from the same mold. You are my best friends.

To my mentor and brother, John: I did it!!--I couldn't have without your guidance. Thanks, Doc!

To the high school posse, especially Bridget, my roomie: Thanks for helping me remember real life these past four years.

To the class of "99: Best of luck in all of your future endevors, both professional and personal. Special thanks to those who helped make the road a little more fun.

To Brian, my new husband and old friend: We have a world to do and a lifetime in which to do it. I am so lucky to have found you--right under my nose !!! I love you--stronger than steel.

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"It has long been an axiom of mine that the little things are infinitely the most important."
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Mom and Dad, I know in my heart that this day would never have been possible without the two of you in my life.

Mom, without your tireless understanding, patience with me when I was stressed out, undying and unquestionable love and your 'mommy' packages from home getting from some days to others would have been insurmountable.

Dad, you are what someday I hope to become. Your love not only for your family, but for medicine as well is what has kept me going ever since college. I have learned a lot on my clinical rotations but the most important lesson I have learned is that you are, without a doubt, the most caring, selfless, intelligent and dedicated physician and father a patient or child could ever be blessed with. I can never repay either of you for everything you have given me…I just hope that I can make both of you proud of me.

To my sisters; Robyn, Courtney and Jill, you have blossomed into such beautiful women and I love you very much.

To my grandparents, thank you for everything, I wouldn't be here without any of you.

To my friends, new and old, you mean the world to me and always will. Thanks!!!

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"There are no shortcuts to any place worth going."

Beverly Sills

To my parents: Your constant encouragement and love helped me to get to where I am today. I am the luckiest person to have parents that always understood what I was going through .

To my brother, Avery: You were always the voice of reason and put things into perspective in moments of "STRESS". The late night study phone calls and sharing our misery almost made things bearable! "Misery loves company."

To my sister: No more complaints

To Dr. Ken Han: As I am trying to write something I am both laughing and crying. . . you know what I mean. I don't even know how to put what I want to say into words except for these two words. . ROWLAND HALL. You are the best friend a person could ever have. I love you very much!

To Allah: Allah you and I read each others minds! You always know what is best for me. All my love.

Rhonda, Samantha, Helen, Thuy, Vicki, Lori, Christina and o.k. you too Kimon. From Delaware Ave., birthdays, "The Cave", nights out, nights in, my fake tree with the lights, my bad dates. . . you were my closest family for four years. I wish you all the happiness and success that life can bring. I will never forget the fun we had together and I am looking forward to the fun to come!

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Unrest of spirit is a mark of life; one problem presents itself and in the solving of them we can find our greatest pleasure.
Karl Menninger

Friends:
Anne Eaton once said, "The happiest business in all the world is that of making friends..." Kromie, joining forces was one of the best things that happened over these four years. I love you Kap. To the Key West Crew:"There is a 0% chance of me not scooting tonight!" Rob C., thanks for the words I needed to hear so often. I love you brother. Alvin, Janet, Ali, Todd, Fran and Mack, thank you for allowing me to be a part of your family. I love you all.

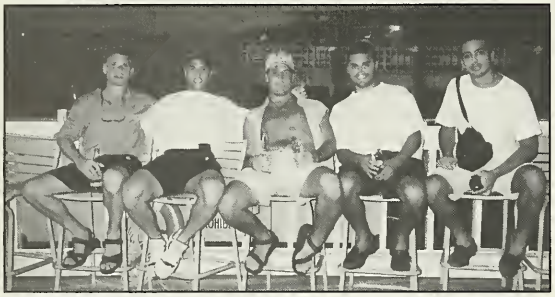
Family:
Your emphasis on education is understood now, just like you said. Thanks for you love and the occasional nudges I needed when I started to drag my feet.
"Education has for it's object the formation of character..." –Herbert Spencer.
Thank you for helping me build mine. I love you.

Stacy:
You are beautiful. You made these four years a pleasure. I thank you for your friendship, love, and support, which were given to me unconditionally. I say now with great respect and admiration, "Congratulations Dr. Wuf!"

"For you see, each day I love you more, today more than yesterday and less than tomorrow."

- Rosemond Gerard

Love Always, Gossy



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"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."
Leo Buscaglia

God- Thank you for answering my prayers, for giving me guidance and the focus that has helped me overcome my obstacles.

Mama- I got my strength and my pride from you, thanks for being my guardian angel. Even though , I know you will be there in spirit, I wish you could be here in person to share this day with me.

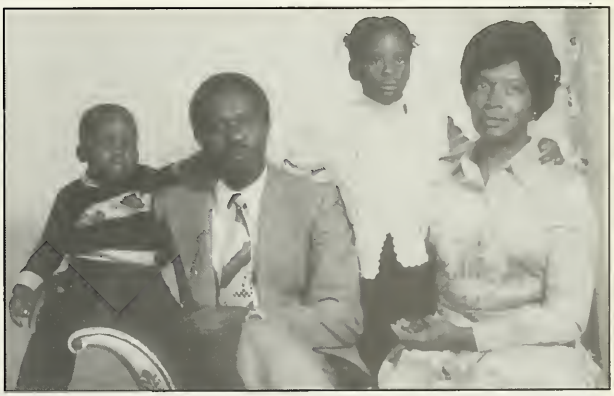
Papi- I got my kindness and patience from you. Thanks for your support and for always being there for me.

Dadou-Believe in yourself and all your dreams will come true. Thank you for making me laugh.

The Girls- Thanks for your friendship and you support throughout the years I hope our friendship lasts forever and that as we grow and go through changes that our friendship is able to adapt. I could not ask for better friends.

To my PCOM Fam. I could not have done this without you guys. We made it with each others support.

To all who supported me in this endeavor and to all those who did not, I made it - God Bless! I love you all.



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" I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."
Philippians 4:13

The dream began as a young child. Watching and listening to my grandfather preach and teach his congregation remains vivid in my memories. Counseling those in need was what he did and he was passionately devoted to serving people. The dream was clearer still as I grew up observing my father serve his patients as their family doctor. Curing physical ailments, but also the emotional, spiritual and family struggles that occurred. High school and college saw the dream continue to thrive, but studying takes a toll. Getting into schools is difficult, and often the dream at the end of the tunnel becomes blurred. But others along the way help keep the dream alive. Thank you Michelle, for being the love of my life. And thanks to your parents for all their support with everything. It's been rewarding to go along this path with others who also struggle. Friendships last forever, often because they are built during trying times. And now as school comes to a close I as well as the others in the class of 1999 can begin to live our dream as physicians.

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Mom and Dad: You have taught me that any dream is attainable, and have helped me through every step along this journey. We accept this degree together! Your love, faith, support, patience, encouragement, and sacrifices have been my inspiration. Thank you for always having the time to listen. I am truly blessed to have the "BEST" parents in the world! I love you!

Jon, My Fiancee: You have been my best friend, my shoulder to cry on, and my unconditional support. The words "It'll be all right," helped me face each new challenge from MCATS to Boards. No more long distance phone calls, weekend visits, and difficult good-byes. From now on we're together forever. You are the love of my life!

Jason: The only brother I'll ever have, you are the greatest!

Jacob: My dearest nephew, you remind me of everything that is important in life - love and family. I write to you so that you may someday realize how your hugs and little voice helped me to overcome my emotional moments.

Debbie: Congratulations roomy. We did it! Thank you for the late night pathology study sessions, and for being a wonderful friend.

Mel, Rob, and DeEtte: Your friendship and generous hospitality helped me through my 3rd and 4th years. I am forever grateful.

NHT Friends: Laughter, beach trips, weddings, and good luck wishes were the best medicine.

In loving memory, I dedicate this page to my grandmother, Rosella Richardson, who forever introduced me as, Doctor.

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The greater the artist, the greater the doubt; perfect confidence is granted to the less talented as a consolation prize.
Robert Hughes

It's time to grow up, to move on, and to ship out. However, not without a degree of hesitation, trepidation, and reflection. Gone will be the shelter and comfort that comes with being the medical student. Uncertain are the challenges that lay ahead, though they are many. And echoing from the dark recesses of my essence whispers the question, "Am I prepared?" ... I am; I *know* that I am. I am because I have had the best of teachers and have learned my lessons well. And now is my opportunity to express my gratitude.

Thank you Mom and Dad for your endless support and guidance. Mom, your keen perception, subtle direction are a talent I have yet to master. Dad, you are my role model and my hero. I can't thank the two of you enough.

Linda, you are my wife and my friend. You know me better than I know myself (and aren't afraid to say so). Thank you for your support and your understanding. Oh yeah, and thanks for an excuse to visit Arizona.

Gram H. and Gram D. thank you both for your support. Your guidance and collective wisdom have been an asset.

Thanks also to the classes of 1998 and 1999, for friendships I won't soon forget.

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"If you stand out in the rain long enough, you will eventually see the rainbow"
Greg King

Stephen: You have been my greatest supporter. You pushed me when I needed to be pushed and picked me up when I fell. Without your love, encouragement and endless patience I wouldn't have made it! I love you and look forward to our future together.
Mom and Dad: Thank you for all your support and encouragement over the years. You always taught me to go for my dreams – and I am finally here! I love you both!
Jaime: My little sis, the last few years we've grown to be such good friends. I guess Mom and Dad were right!
Linda: Starting five years ago, at our interview our friendship began and continues to grow stronger every day. We've had wonderful times that I will always cherish.
Jeff: You've been such a wonderful friend! Thanks for always being such a good listener. We've had quite a few good laughs!
To all my friends and classmates: It was tough, but we always did have a great time! Thank for all the memories!

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"Come to the edge," he said.
They said, "We are afraid."
"Come to the edge," he said.
They came.
He pushed them and they flew.

Gullaume Appollinaire

A heartfelt thank you to my family and friends who were with me along the way.

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"Getting what you go after is success; but liking it while you are getting it is happiness."
-Bertha Damon

I've learned that it is impossible to accomplish anything worthwhile without the help of others.

To the gifts in my life:
My parents: Thank you for always being there. Over the years, your love and support has healed me when I was sick, lifted me when I was down, and encouraged me when I was in doubt. I couldn't have accomplished this without you. I love you.

Scott: As twins, we have been together from day one. Knowing that you are always there when I need you has always been and continues to be a great comfort to me. I love you.

Mike: I know it has not always been easy living in the shadows of Scott and I. Always know that I am proud of you. Thank you for teaching me that everyone has different dreams. I love you.

My sister-in-law, Kim: I couldn't ask for a better sister. Thank you for all of your support, for making my brother so happy, and for making me and aunt.

Stephanie: For nineteen years you have been my best friend. Even when there have been miles between us you've been there in my thoughts and in my heart. Your support has meant the world to me - Thank you.

Grandma, Pap Pap and all of my aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Thank you for always believing in me. Your love and support has provided me with the strength and determination to finally reach this life long goal.

My angels in heaven: Grandma, Grandpa Davis, Grandpa Hamilton, Granny, Uncle Alec and Jill. Your memory lives on, every minute in my heart. I miss you.

Tabatha: My roommate and dear friend. On August 23, 1995, the first day of freshman orientation, we shared an elevator together, as scared first years. On June 6, 1999, graduation day, we share a stage together, as doctors. Thanks for for making even the worst times bearable.

My colleagues: Congratulations to the class of 1999. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors. May your lives be full of success, love, and most of all happiness.

Dana L. Hamilton, D.O.

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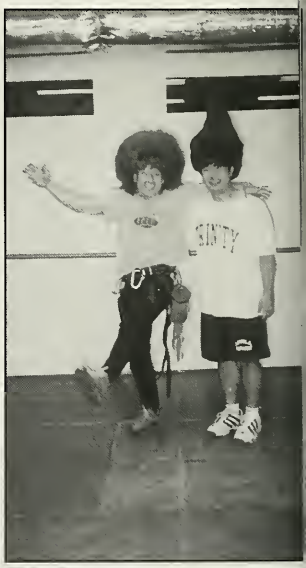
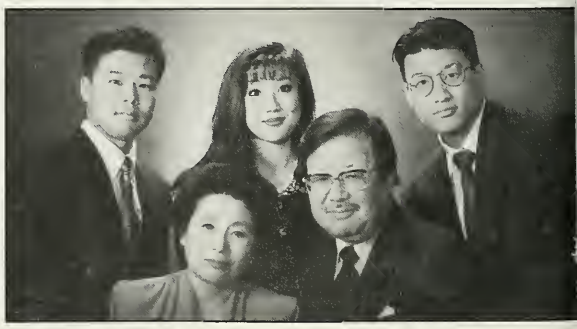
"I want to know if you can be with JOY; if you can dance with wildness and let the ecstasy fill you to the tips of your fingers and toes without cautioning us to be careful, be realistic, or to remember the limitations of being human."
Oriah Mountain Dreamer

"Thanks dudes": my mom/dad for giving me the opportunity to dream, Rich, my big bro, Eleanor, my dancing sister, its "opening night", Jack - dynamic duos forever!, Walt - the true meaning of friendship, Sharon- "friends don't change.....just different"; I wish you the best; Hey? who's gonna be my partner when I have to renew my CPR certificate? Joan- for listening, "shall we dance?"; I will miss both of you so much :(,Yoon - when we gonna chi gae?, Jerry- my captain, my captain, "Don go nuds!, Sonia- north philly- "no gas!", nyc, mon-shu-lu, vilari or vivari or vicharle?, Bryan- my roomy, "You, the Real Rock", Phi sig brothers- now, no one will climb the house anymore, Rachel- my oatmeal girl and partner in crime, books, candy, late nights, and exercise in Roland 3AM - we did it!!, Boston brothers - Dong/ Wonbae- "what does the score board say again?", classmates, mentors and patients who Christ Jesus has placed in my path..... peace out.

Pix #1: "I'm on top of the world!" Deep sea fishing with my sis and bud, Daniel; Newport Beach, California
#2: "Above the clouds, is where to be found. " Neisen mountain, Basel Switzerland; alt. = 3255 meters above sea level
#3: "Do a little dance" with the Ms. Garrett "Facts of Life" hair doo!!!!
#4: Philadelphia rock gym; last day of cardiology; Looking for a few good women.....Angela, Vernica, Sharon - "Ignite the fire, set the site high, crimp the crack, and smash the stack, rock it, rock on, rock high" - whoooooeeeeeee
#5: "Rockin in the free world" - "Planet of the Apes" 5.7s on granite to the ascent; Malibu, California. (This wall was actually filmed for the show!)
#6: "Study partners, confidants, fated friends, sisters"
#7: Sitting on the lap of Karl Marx and Lenin beside him... before being accosted by German police. "Hey, I thought you dudes weren't red anymore?" Family medicine rotation 10/97- Berlin, Germany
#8: Mi familia





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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of our own mind. Absolve you to yourself, and you shall have the suffrage of the world."
R. W. Emerson

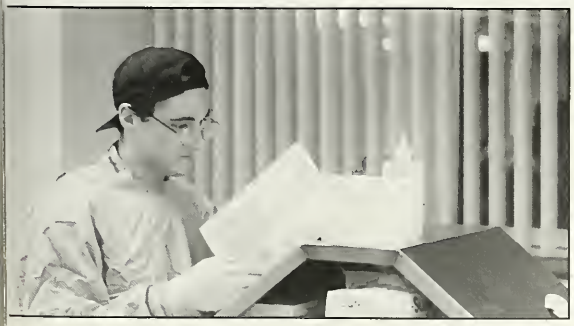
"It is easy in the world to live after the worlds' opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude....."

It is with great pleasure that I take this opportunity to thank those people who have positively influenced my life through their thoughts, ideas, philosophy and intellect. You reinforced the necessity of self-thought and facilitated a deeper and true understanding. I am forever grateful for the gifts you have made me aware of. I must also thank the many others who, through positive or negative actions, have stimulated a constant rational introspection of my own beliefs and actions.

".....And truly it demands something godlike in him who has cast off the common motives of humanity, and has ventured to trust himself for a task-master. High be his heart, faithful his will, clear his sight, that he may in good earnest be doctrine, society, law to himself, that a simple purpose may be to him as strong as iron necessity is to others."

R.W.Emerson

I wish you all happiness on your journey toward fulfillment.



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"The style of a soul. Do you remember the famous philosopher who spoke of the style of a civilization? He called it 'style.' He said it was the nearest word he could find for it. He said that every civilization has its one basic principle, one single, supreme, determining conception, and every endeavor of men within that civilization is true, unconsciously and irrevocably, to that one principle.... I think, Kiki, that every human soul has a style of its own, also. Its one basic theme. You'll see it reflected in every thought, every act, every wish of that person. The one absolute, the one imperative in that living creature. Years of studying a man won't show it to you. His face will. You'd have to write volumes to describe a person. Think of his face. You need nothing else."
——Ellsworth Monkton Toohey in The Fountainhead by Ayn Rand.

I would like to thank my parents and loved-ones for their help in attaining my goals. Dad, thank you for instilling in me the work ethic that I am now only beginning to understand and enjoy. Thank you also for your caring support. Mom, thank you for your reality checks when I most needed them and for making me realize how grateful I am. To the rest of my family, and to those who have helped/dealt in their very special ways, I thank you.

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The sense of well being! It's with us when we are young, but then it's not noticed. And by the time one has grown to consciousness, it comes less often.
T.S. Eliot *The Elder Statesman, 1958*

Another chapter in my life has been completed, ending with graduation from medical school and this page. I would like to thank all who have made this goal reachable for without them I would not be where I am today.

Mom - You started it all for me and made a lot of sacrifices along the way. Even during the many mistakes I've made you've supported me and stood by my side, guiding me. I will never be able to thank-you enough for your love and kindness so I only hope that I continue to make you proud.

Dad, my brother Chris, and sister Kara - Thanks for all your support during my school training. I am very fortunate to have you as a family. You all helped me realize that I could achieve this goal.

PCOM friends - Scottie, Old Buck, Spicolli, Catrina, and everyone I forgot (you know who you are) It was a good ride and I hope we all never lose touch. Now that we are not only friends but colleagues as well I wish you all success.

Kristie - You are my life. All this hard work the past four years was to establish the foundation of our lives together. All your unconditional love and support made it possible to achieve this goal and you made it all worthwhile. I could not imagine my life without you being the center of it and by the time I begin my residency training you will be my wife. Our future together is wide open and I cannot wait to help you raise our children at our ocean front house.

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"Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry."
Mark Twain

My love, gratitude and admiration to the following people, each without whom I would surely not be where I am today:

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To Fran, Todd and Mackie: You have been my second family. Thank you for opening up your home and lives. Your support and love have been tremendous. I love you all.

To Ali: I could not imagine a better sister! I am so proud of you. You are my best friend in the world. I could not have done this without you.

To Dad: You are my TRUE INSPIRATION!! I can only hope to be one-tenth the physician you are. You are the BEST father a person could have! Thank you for everything!!

To Gossy: What can I say? The past 3+ years have been bliss (mostly)! Thank you for your patience, kindness, humor and love when I needed it most. You are my soulmate and my inspiration. I am so proud of us, for this is truly a shared victory. WE DID IT GOSSY!!

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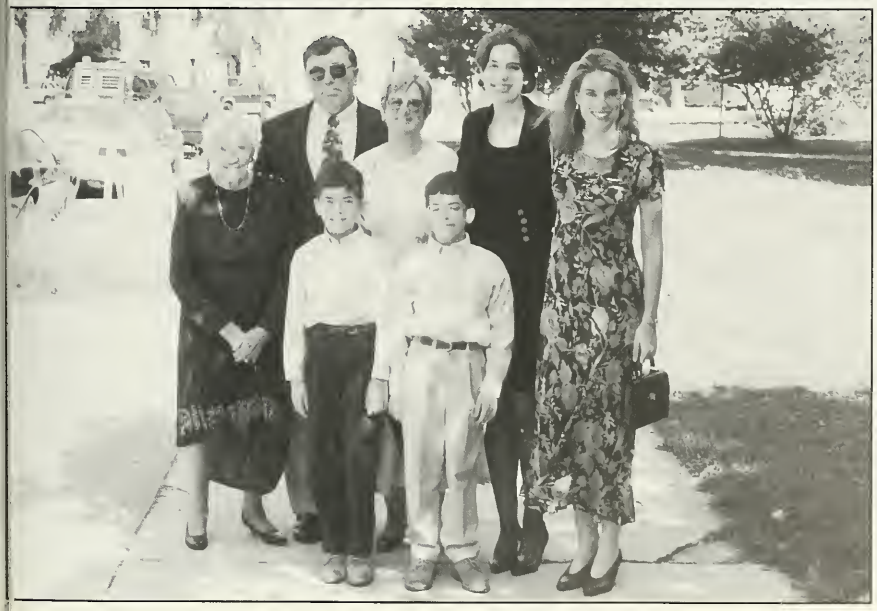
"Nothing is too small to know, and nothing too big to attempt."
William Van Horne

The secrets of my success:
Dad: the source of my spirituality and positive attitude.
Mom: the most generous person I know.
Jay: may you discover your field of dreams!
Beth: my kindred spirit!
Andrew and Stephen: future PCOMers?
Grandma: "It takes a long time to become young." Pablo Picasso
Roomie: "er."
Partner in adventure: may there always be snow!
Friends and classmates:
"A friend is one before whom I may think aloud."
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Good luck to all of you and thank you for listening to my thoughts



Lauri Hicks, D.O.

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Lancaster, Pennsylvania

"Believe in yourself and there's nothing that you can't accomplish."

Unknown

DAD: I couldn't have done it without you! Thanks so much for your support and encouragement throughout my academic endeavors. I wouldn't be who I am and where I am today without your guidance, support, and love. No matter what my decisions and pathways in life, whether you agreed or disagreed with my choices, you were always there to see me through. You were always someone that I respected and looked up to. And as time goes on I realize and appreciate more and more what you have done for me. Thanks dad for everything and I love you.

MOM: Thanks for everything you've done for me especially for your support the past 4 years. You always made sure that I had everything I needed. You were always generous in everything that you gave to me. You were always the one in the background that not only kept our family together but gave it balance. And you could always make me laugh with your funny stories. I love you mom.

GRANDPOP: You were always like a second father to me. You were always there for me when I needed you, someone that I could always talk to and confide in no matter what. You always patiently listened to my problems and gave me words of wisdom and experience to help me solve them. You taught me to value what was really important in life and not be concerned about things that really didn't matter. Thanks for everything especially for believing in me. I love you.

GRANDMOM: You were the link that binded our family. You were always the organizer that brought our family together during family events and special occasions. You always gave to us unconditionally, no matter what. I'll always remember all the great dinners that you always made for me whenever I came home to visit for cooking was your way of showing you cared. I love you.

To My Friends: I can't believe that it's been 4 years already. We made it! I'll always remember all the good times and laughs that we've shared. And I know that even as we all go our separate ways, we'll still keep in touch for this is just the beginning of a lifelong friendship.

Thuy Hoang, D.O

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Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it.

-Helen Keller

Mom and Dad: It could not be more simply put than to say I couldn't have accomplished this without your love, generosity and support. You've taught me all my life that with hardwork and a goal in sight life, and all its elements, will be rewarding. You are my mentors and I love you both very much.

Ben: If ever I've known a person who gives new meaning to the word dedication, big brother it's definitely you. You've been an inspiration to me ever since the Batman and Robin days (remember couch jumping?). Thanks for being such a positive, caring influence and for always making me laugh when I needed to most.

Becca: For the 'sister' I never had but finally got- (I am so glad you've become a part of our family. How could I have made it through this without your stress-relief care packages? You're the best and I appreciate all you do for me.

Tammy: Where do I start? This has been an unforgettable four years, worth remembering mostly because I shared them with a friend like you. I didn't think it was possible to laugh so hard or to talk so long about absolutely nothing, But I think we've broken all the records. You're a wonderful person (although a bit freaky) who I wish all the luck, happiness and love in the world.

A special thank you to : Grandma and Grandpa- you represent all things good and caring and what devotion to family means, **Baba-** you are an incredible woman with a huge heart and the best holushskies anywhere, and the rest of my **family and friends** who make life so enjoyable and meaningful.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1999

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Maria Joan Hoertz, D.O.

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They soar on wings like eagles: they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.
Isaiah 40:31

For I shall miss you when you have grown. My Miranda & My Kenneth
You think your pains and your heartbreaks are unprecedented in the history of the world, but then you read. It was books that taught me that the things that tormented me were the very things that connected me with all the people who were alive, or who have been alive.
– James Baldwin

Your home is here. – Charlotte Greene, Ph.D
Just how long does your mania last? – Dr. Burton Mark
I have been happy all of my life. – Adrien Proust
Gifts, powers, intellectual and spiritual possessions are the fruits of effort. They are thoughts completed, accomplished, and visions realized. The greatest achievement was at first and foremost a dream. – James Allen
Most any poor old fish can float, and drift along and dream; but it takes a regular live one to swim against the stream. - Olga Bartholomew Goll
Oh, if I had only known this was going to be so much fun. - Joanna Goll Hoertz
Persistence. - Kenneth Harold Hoertz
I have to fly in the morning. - Charles M. Hogg
I just needed the eggs. – Woody Allen AFV
You gave me the map to City Avenue. – Deanne Starr Endy, D.O. PCOM '87
For Karen, Ollie and Alex – The rocking chairs will always be there.
For Stephanie Santoro, M.P.H. – We're just trying to graduate from medical school.
Carol Fox - Thank you for taking a chance on me.
My love and thanks to my Family and Friends.

Maria Joan Hoertz, D.O.

PAMELA ALLISON HUGHES, D.O.

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"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge him and he shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

This is Dedicated to Grandpop Yanora & Nana & Pop Thieman for all their Love.

Mom & Dad: For all that I am and hope to become I owe to you. Your unending love & support have given me the strength and courage to fulfill my dreams. I am very proud to be the first physician in the Yanora Family, & I am even more honored to have had my amazing parents by my side for every step of the journey.

Nicky, my beloved sister: You always know how to make me laugh, even when I felt there was nothing to laugh about. Thank you for your help & advice, your lending spirit, & your caring heart. You are well on your way to becoming a success & I wish you lots of luck. I'm always here for you, I love you Kid!!

Tony, my big bro: Growing up you were always quietly in the background looking out for me, keeping me safe, Thank you! I am so proud of your accomplishments, especially your beautiful wife and loving children.

David, my loving husband: From the moment our worlds met I knew we would be spending the rest of our lives together. Your love of God and life inspires me, your honor makes me proud, your smile caresses me, & your love consumes me, for all this I thank you. Our stars have joined in the middle and we are now one; I love you and look forward to fulfilling our dreams side by side.

Pamela A. Hughes D.O.

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"Let me be contented in everything except the great science of my profession."
Maimonides

To Mom and Dad- Thank you for all your never-ending love and support. For never letting me give up my dream to be a physician. Your willingness to give me everything I needed was without limits. Without you this would have remained only a dream. Now it is a reality. I love you and thank you.

To the rest of my family- Thank you for your willingness to put up with my long hours, various schedules, and impromptu changes. For your graciousness to allow me to continue the activities we have always shared together.

To my friends- Thank you for sharing the frustration, the border of insanity, and most of all your laughter. Without the laughter it would not have been as enjoyable or rewarding as it has been.

To Jennifer- Without you I would have not smiled so much for so long. We have laughed with pure joy and great frustration. You have been my best friend through this four year journey. I do not know if I would have survived this without you. I am glad that I did not have to find out.

Fredric Jaffe, D.O.

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Continuous efffort- not strength or intelligence- is the key to unlocking our potential.
Sir Winston Churchill

To my family - I thank you all for your love, support, and confidence you have had in me. This has been a driving force in the back of my mind each time one of you called me "Doc" or asked my opinion on a health issue. I love you all.

Gramma Jessie and Grampa Wing - I feel you with me everyday, guiding me, protecting me, catching me when I stumble. I miss you, love you, and thank you for being my special guardian angels.

Gramma Millie - Well, the time is here ...I am now officially your personal "Doctor". Thank you for having such strong faith in me, I love you.

Mom and Dad - Thank you for raising me in a home with so much love, support, and guidance. Thank you for always pushing me to "do my best" and "broaden my horizons". Thank you for allowing me to see the WORLD in it's entirety and truly experiencing life. Thank you for wanting more for me and often pushing my desires before your own. But most of all Thank you for being my heroes in childhood; role models in adolescence; and best friends in adulthood. It is because of you that I am the caring, compassionate, educated and driven person that I am. I could have never come this far without you. I Love You.

Rob - Who would have ever guessed 10 years ago that we would be together today? I believe that our paths were meant to cross at this time in our lives. Whenever I think of you I smile and feel peaceful inside. I look forward to the future ... My friend, my love, you are a part of me. Thank you for walking beside me and holding my hand.

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You gain strength, courage, and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face...You must do the thing you cannot do.
Eleanor Roosevelt

I am thankful for my wonderful family who has given me a lifetime of love, guidance, and support. Many of my goals throughout life have been attainable because of the strength I have received from my loved ones along the way. As I move into another phase of my life, I am proud to have by my side my best friend and companion, Michael. Thank you for believing in me and helping me become a better individual.

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A spirit filled with truth must needs direct its actions to the final goal
M. Gandhi

Mom & Dad: No words can fully express my appreciation and love for all you have given me. You have made so many sacrifices, offering caring support and guidance along the many paths I have tread. I will always uphold the values you have instilled in me through the examples of your lives, as both of you are the ultimate role models and the sources of inspiration in my life. Thank you.

Jalak: Thanks for being such a motivated little sister. Your success and work ethic is illuminating, your love and support deeply appreciated. I wish for you the best that life has to offer.

Friends: I have drawn inspiration from each of you, and I thank you all for the education, entertainment and memories of a lifetime. My best wishes to all of you for continued happiness and success in the future.

Oh, the places you'll go! There is fun to be done! - Dr. Seuss

NJ DO

DAVID PATRICK JOHNSON, D.O.

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Mom and Dad: I could not have made this journey without your love, guidance, and wisdom. You both have been an incredible inspiration to me.

Liv: Thanks for opening my eyes and for all the help along the way.

Everyone else: You guys made it a memorable one!

"Therefore, be at peace with God, and whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace with your soul. With all its sham, drudgery, and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be careful. Strive to be happy."

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St. Paul's Church Baltimore, MD

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ie Road goes ever on and on, down from the door where it began. Now far ahead the Road is gone, and I must follow, if I can, pursuing it with eager feet, until it joins some larger way here many paths and errands meet. And whither then? I cannot say. —J.R.R. Tolkien

Dear Russ,
This accomplishment is as much yours as it is mine. Throughout the years you have always been there to listen and encourage unselfishly. I would not be here today if it weren't for your gentle support and tough love. You are the source of my strength and the outlet for my insanity. Thank you so much for all of your love and understanding during those months when it was a luxury to breathe. You are my soul mate and I love you more and more everyday. Together we can accomplish all of our dreams.

Dear Mom and Dad,
Thank you for instilling in me the belief that I could do anything, teaching me to make my own decisions, and giving me the strength to try. You are the source I look to for guidance in my life, my marriage, and my career. Thank you for believing in me, always. I love you.

All my love, Camy

Camron Johnson DO

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"If you build castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations beneath them" - Thoreau-

I thank God from whom I have gained the strength to persevere despite the obstacles, and the faith to believe that through Him all things are possible.

David- my husband, my best friend and soul mate- God has blessed me with your love. Our love has grown during these emotionally trying years. You have always kept me focused on my goal and provided me with your strength when I doubted my own. As time progresses and our family grows, the love we share will be the foundation for our predestined castle in the sky.

DAVALI SWEETHEART, DAVALI

Mom and Dad - As I matured I have come to understand and appreciate the sacrfices that you have made for me. While at the time I may not have understood all of your decisions, today I am only a stronger woman because of them.

My Family - Through you I have learned the importance of compassion. It was your love and support that enabled be to achieve every milestone. Each of you has provided a bit of wisdom which I intend to pass on to others.

Alicia Jones-Eddy, DO

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"Looking lovingly at the top of the ladder will avail nothing; it's the climb that counts."
Robert Louis Stevenson

Mommy, Daddy, and Laurie: This degree is a reflection of everything you instilled in me as I was growing up and continue to do so now. Thank you for teaching me to believe in myself and always pushing me to be my best. This success is yours just as it is mine. I could not have reached this point without you. I love you with all of my heart.
Grace and Saul: There are no words to express what you mean to me. I would not be the person I am today if luck had not smiled on me the summer of 1983. Thank you for all of the love, support and confidence that you have given to me over the past sixteen years. I love you.
Barrie and Jordan: The two most beautiful little girls I know! I have loved watching you grow and look forward to knowing the incredible women you will become. I love you.
Stacy and Steve: Friends from the very beginning... we made it! I know that ours is a friendship with the ability to sustain both time and distance. Here's to being on the beaches of Boca together when we're seventy!
Livia and Kari: Great roommates, even better friends... thank you for all of the good times these past two years!
Jessica: Although we don't see each other or talk as often as we would like, our friendship will always hold a special place in my heart.
Amy: What would I do without you? My friend, my date, my partner-in-crime! Having you to talk to and commiserate with has always made things better. Love you!
Charlie: This page just wouldn't be complete without you. We have been through so much these past four years - from the rigors of medical school to the ups and downs of our relationship. Whatever the future holds, know that I love you and am so proud of you.

Jennifer Kaplan, D.O.

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"There is always someone who's got it a little bit worse, and someone who's got it a little bit better, so just be happy you got it at all" -M.E.

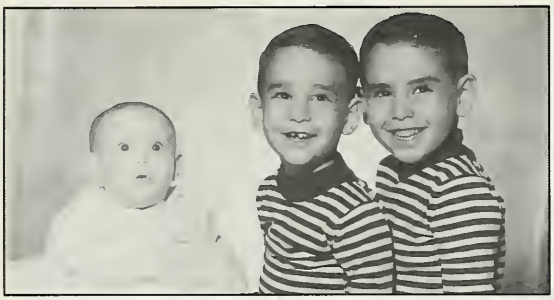
Risa
Where to begin.....the most important person in my life.....my motivation.....my everyday.....my stability.....my love.....my wife. You are the reason I get up each morning and rush to get home at night. Knowing that I have you to share my life, dreams, hopes and fears with, make the good things better and the bad things not so terrible. I have watched over the past four years both of us grow (me rounder and grayer) and our relationship strengthen. You never doubted my capabilities and potential even when I did. All I have would be meaningless if I didn't have you.....I love you.

Alex
It's Saturday night in the year 2014 and you say there is a party at a friend's house and you want to go. Mommy said to ask me if it's O.K. to go. I say no chance. Please remind me that I was once your age and ask me what I may have been thinking back then. Don't accept "times were different then". You will always have my unconditional love, stability of a home, an ear if you need someone to listen, a hand if you need help, and a hug whether you want one or not.

My Family
Each of you, in your own uniquely special way, has given me the support I needed to reach my goals. Whether it was a quick phone call, some needed advice or a few dollars in my pocket, I thank all of you. My values, ideals, personality, sense of compassion, fears and dreams are a combination of all of yours. I am a product of my family. I think of all of you everyday, am lucky to have you, and love you all very much.

My friends
Four years have flown by, it's unbelievable. The bonds I have formed over the past four years at PCOM are some of the strongest I have. I thank all of you for some of the best times of my life, if not the most memorable. Regardless where all of us wind up, all of you will be in my heart.

PCOM
Thank you for giving me the opportunity to enter a profession where I can be myself, use my brain, help others, do good things, go to sleep feeling content, and get paid for it.



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"Continuing in the Dance"

- Me

TAMMY LYNN KEISTER, D.O.

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The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart. (To Ray-I love you) Helen Keller

MOM & DAD: I finally made it! I could have never made it this far without your constant support, your unconditional love, your never-ending encouragement at 1 am, and your smiles that showed me how proud you were. Your "cheers above the crowd" and your support is what drove me to do my best and succeed in whatever I put my mind to. I was able to achieve these accomplishments because of your encouragement, patience, and understanding. You both mean more to me than words can express.....*I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH!*

NATE: You are my favorite brother! You bring an extra spark to my life and a bigger smile to my face whenever we're together. You are also one of the most unique, artistic, caring, smart, and adventuristic people I know. I'm lucky to have someone like you as my brother. I love you very much! Congratulations on Graduation! Good luck in the future—you're gonna go far!

STACE: We've been through a lot together and have come out stronger in the end. You truly are my best friend and I love you dearly for that. Remember: Sasha, Anaheim, bread-maker, ass-slappings, U.N. Convention, "Days", Georgia, etc.

PCOM FRIENDS: Good luck & I'll miss you!

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"Nothing purchased can come close to the renewed sense of gratitude for having family and friends."
–Courtland Milloy

This page is dedicated in loving memory of my brother Brian. Bri, I walk with confident steps because I know you are there to guide my path. You are always with me, alive, in my heart. I love you and I miss you.

Mom and Dad: Where do I begin? Words alone cannot express the gratitude I have for your constant love and support. We have been through some very difficult times as a family and it is through both of you that I have gained inner strength and security to continue on. I thank you for all that you are in my life and I love you more than you will ever know.
Bill: My brother, my friend. You have made a difficult journey easier to travel by just being there for me. I am proud of the person that you are and I have gained the motivation to achieve my goals through your example. I know you will always be there for me as I for you. I love you.
Nanny and PopPop: Thank you for your never ending love and support. You have been behind me every step of the way especially when times were hard (Oh and thanks for all the afternoon talks at the kitchen table and nights at the Philly Diner!)
Aunt Tillie: I have been blessed with you as a fifth grandparent. You have always said I could be anything I wanted and with your guidance I believe that. Thank You!
Grandmom and Grandpop: You always told me to follow my dreams; thank you for always believing in me and helping me make my dreams come true.
Chris and Steve: Your words of encouragement helped me to believe in myself and your influence in my life has helped me to become who I am today–Thank you and I love you both.
Laurie: Thank you for caring enough to listen when I needed to vent and for offering advice when you knew I needed direction, you have helped me in so many ways - thank you.
Maria: I know from this point on our lives are going to take different paths but I want you to know that you have been like a sister to me, helping me through the rough times and laughing with me during the good. I hope we never loose touch because a friendship like yours only comes once in a lifetime.

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"The definition of a sense of humor: never take yourself, other people or life too seriously." Harry H. Kichta

In these last four years I have encountered a lot of apprehension, insecurity and doubt on this path I have chosen. However, in this lifetime I have never been more confident of the people that are important to me. I *would not* have made it through this journey without them. My **Mom and Dad** are two of the most *unselfish* people that I have met. They have given me tireless *guidance, support* and *friendship.* In my **25 years** they have *never* failed to give me all that I need. My **Little Sister** is truly, one of my *best friends.* We're different in many ways yet she *always* seems to understand where I'm coming from. I don't think she realizes it, but I hope she knows, *"I never could have come this far without you."* Then there is my **Baby Brother,** although there is a generation between us I learn a lot from him. His determination, aspiration and perseverance motivate me. **Pap** and **Stella Bella Golebiewski** have nurtured me through childhood, and now their prayers keep me safe and give me guidance. **Gram Kichta** remains *my inspiration* through all of this. Her strength impels me to keep going. **Grandpap Kichta's** thirst for knowledge is endless; he instills that thirst within me. **Aunt Shelia** and the **Kichta Family** give me a warm and comfortable place to come home to. They keep my feet *rooted* well in the ground while still giving me room to grow. They always let me know *they love me for who I am.* This goes for those **Good Catholic Girls, Nurse Mary** and **Dr. B** too. Their friendship and humor has maintained my sanity. Last but not least there's **Frank Quigley** who has been at my side through a lot of this journey. Well, what can I say, our *"illicit affair"* has gone much further then I had anticipated, but our relationship has offered me *"the world."* It is strange to me that although I'm nearing the end of this road I'm still unsure about exactly where it is that I'm headed. But because of these people I have faith **God** is with me and I am headed in the right direction.

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"But still try, for who knows what is possible."
Faraday

I can't believe it. Another milestone has been reached along this wonderful journey. A time to pause and reflect and give thanks where it is due. I have been so blessed with close family and friends that it is difficult to express just how much I love all of you.

First of all, **to my parents**...in terms of grocery stores you are my Wegman's!

To Cheryl and Marc...what can I say? For giving me a loving home with unwavering support and guidance, I am forever grateful.

To Amanda...you share my spirit and make me happy everyday.

To my Grandparents...for laying the foundation and leading by example.

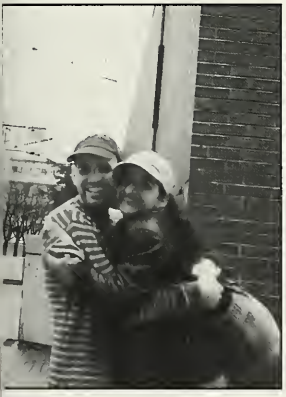
To apartment 1803...what memories I will cherish forever. You guys are the best.

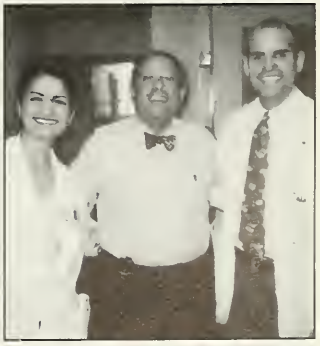
To my Rosalinda, Adele...for allowing me to live life to the fullest with honesty and laughter. What a gift God has given me in you.

To my classmates, my teachers, my patients and all my dear friends...I am so grateful, humbled, and honored for your presence in my life.

Lastly, **to my heroes of the stage**...who continue to inspire, excite, teach and guide me as I continue to pursue my dreams, strive for unlimited happiness, and make each day better than the one before.

"Look I made a hat, where there never was a hat."





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" Two roads diverged in a wood, and I- I took the one less traveled by, And that has made all the difference" The Road Not Taken- Robert Frost

Four years ago I was given the opportunity to become a physician. Today, through hard work and dedication, I will have achieved my goal . As with all accomplishments come pride, self-satisfaction and congratulations for the individual. I am also filled with a great amount of humility for one realizes that if not for the support and love of those around him not only would the goal not have been achieved but it would be meaningless. In no way can a few short words describe the appreciation I have for all those who have helped me to achieve this milestone.

To PCOM- Thanks for the opportunity.

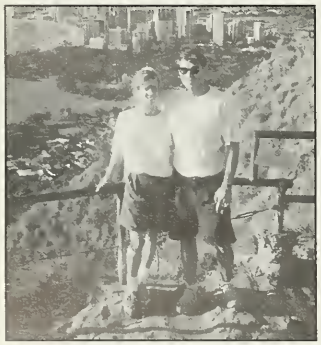
To my fellow classmates- Congratulations and good luck on wherever your path leads you.

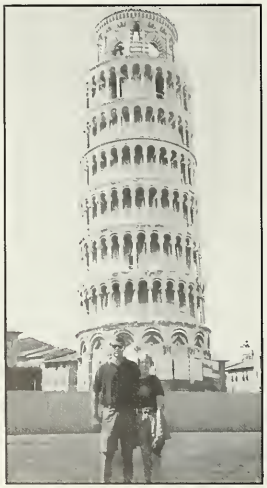
To Mom and Dad- . Thank you for teaching me that "hard work isn't easy". Your love and support will never be forgotten. I love you both very much.

To Ed and Alice- I cannot begin to express my sincere appreciation for all that you have done over the last four years. I can never repay you enough for everything you have done. Thank you both very much.

To Andrew- my son, you have taught me about the joys of fatherhood and I hope to make you proud of me.

To Mary- you are *still* my best friend and most beloved wife, you have shown me what unconditional support and love are all about. I appreciate your sacrifices, they are not forgotten, so that I may achieve my dream. Thank you for all that you do and all that you are. **I will love you forever.** I look forward to sharing the success and rewards that will be in our future.





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A half-educated physician is not valuable. He thinks he can cure everything.
. Notebook of Mark Twain

Since the age of eight I have been dreaming of this day. Now that it is at hand, I know that my perseverance was due to the love and support of my family and friends. I can not even begin to thank them for their encouragement, direction, and their unconditional love. My mother and father are integral parts of my decision-making, and always support my decisions. My brother, busy in his pursuit of his law career, always manages to find the time to call, and I know that I can always count on him. My grandparents always express their deepest love for me. I am honored to have made friends, both in college and medical school, who are there through good times and bad.

So as I reflect on this day of achievement, I am convinced that no matter what my future holds, no goal will be out of reach. My only regret is that I am unable to share this joyous occasion with my grandmother Ruth and grandfather Murray. On a lighter note, my family and friends know that in return they will receive discounted medical treatment...all right free!

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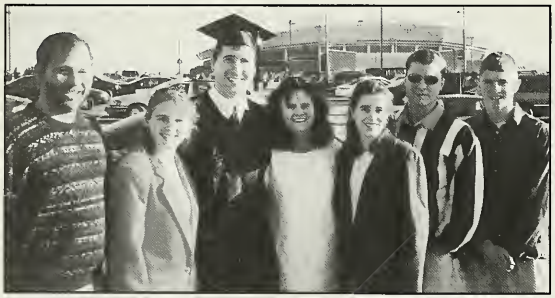

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Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood.
- Marie Curie

Denise — This is as much a celebration of your efforts as it is mine. You provided me with the strength and stability to change careers and to pursue this degree. I never could have done it without you by my side. I'm forever grateful you came into my life and I look forward to the future knowing you're a member of this team.

Jordan and Samuel— Times with you have been like mini vacations from the stressors of medical school. You've contributed more than you'll ever know. I look forward to many more mini vacations in the years to come.

Mom and Dad — You never lost faith and taught me to persevere. Thank you for those gifts. If the accomplishments of your children is a measure of the quality of parenthood they received, then the two of you are tough acts to follow.

Thomas F. Knisely DO

JOHN T. KOLISNYK, D.O.

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The energy, the faith, the devotion which we bring to this endeavor will light our country and all who serve it and the glow from that fire can truly light the world...
John F. Kennedy

Thanks Dad, Mom, Gram, Uncle Sam and all friends and relatives for your love, support and encouragement throughout these past several years of training. I am most gracious and in your debt...

To my friends and colleagues at P.C.O.M.: thanks for the fun times, and best of luck to wherever you all end up! Navy-Davey, Jason H, Oakey, Tommy C & Kristen, Jess, Livia, John M, Suzan M, Heir-Goss, Stace, Picch & The Mommy-Girls, J. Peterman, Ronny & Donny, The Indian Club (V, Nish, Kartik, & Sinu), Kevin K, Tommy K & Denise, Tommy F, Rick W, Larry G, Capres, Simpson, Nate-Bates, Kelly S, Pacek, Beck, Jen S, S. Santoro, Erik S, Deanna, Dana, Tab, Chad "Freak-Show" Frank, Todd M, Quincy, Billy-D, Glen F, Jay S, Andrew R, Justin H, Steph S, Jade & Christine, Quigs, Chris W, Dr Lannutti, Dr Sulman, Dr G. Davis, Bob C, Scotty Culp, Holly W, Alison L and ALL others too numerous to mention.

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John Thomas Kolisnyk, D.O.

Carolyn Ann Kollar, D.O.

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Mansfield, Pennsylvania

Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
Proverbs 4:7

To Mom: My angel in heaven. My guiding light.
Your beauty, grace, values, love and laughter live on everyday in my heart and in my dreams. You taught me the meaning of life through your life that was driven by love. Thank you for seeing my dreams come true.

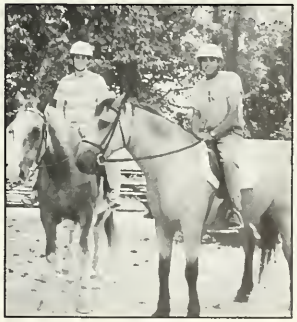
To Dad: My angel on earth. My strength, my mentor.
You instilled in me the hope and courage to follow my dreams, and the confidence and determination to see them through. Thank you for your sacrifices and your unyielding support and love. This one's for you!

To Kathy: My sister, my best friend.
Ours is a unique bond of sisterhood: Strengthened by hardship, strengthened by friendship, forever growing with love. Thank you for always being by my side to listen, to laugh, to cry.

To My Family: I thank God everyday for letting us share our lives. I am truly blessed. Thank you for believing in me and always being there for me. I love you all.

To Jennifer: We finally made it! Not that a few bonks to the head with skis, cable outages or the beer-a-myd almost made us "... crummmble...". Thanks for being such a great friend. I could never have gotten through without you. (I certainly would have starved.) I wish you all the best! By the way, thanks for not vomiting in my car.

To My Friends: You guys are the greatest! Thanks for all of your love and support; through hard times, through the best of times. I will always love you.



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What we call the beginning is only the end,
And to make an end is to make a new beginning.
The end is where we start from.
We shall not cease from exploration,
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time

T.S. Eliot

Family- Often people speak of their accomplishments, and many times they claim to have done it on their own. Even though the time and effort was theirs, it was the shoulders and the backs of the people they stood upon that made it all possible. So I would like to say, thank you for your support. Thank you for your sacrifices. And finally, thank you for your love. I love you all very much and because of you I'm finally a yiatros.

Helen- These last four years have been some of my best. I often sit back and think of how lucky I was to find someone who cares for me in an unselfish way. Manalis, you made times that were completely unbearable easier, and you could always make me smile with one of those cute things you do. We've been through a lot and you've helped me grow as a person. Who would of thought my life could change so much after meeting you.

Guys- All I can think about are those midnight runs to Geno's and Pat's while we were studying. All it took was one person to say something and we were off. Then there was the Ouzo shots at the first year formal and all the Thursday nights we hung out third and fourth year. I had a great time. Good luck Charlie, Pete, Matt and Nick.

Chicks- Those road trips probably will always be part of our conversations, along with those heated arguments that we had over women and Osteopathic Medicine. Tormenting Deluca was a favorite past time while Lauri would just interject with her one-liners. Thuy and her tight social calendar (by appointment only), Christina the newly adopted Greek girl, and Rachel who thought she could beat me in the war of insults. Thanks for making the last four years fun and unforgettable.

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Moscow, Pennsylvania

"Be patient. Our Playwright may show in some fifth act what this wild Drama means."
Lord Alfred Tennyson

Meditation

Live not for yesterday, for its joys and agonies have already whirled into the eternal spirals of the past. We can neither relive the good nor remedy the evil, as both will remain now and forever beyond our grasp.

Live not for tomorrow, for it is not yet here. Do not agonize over what may or may never be, as it will come soon enough.

Live only for today, for each fleeting moment here and now. Experience every second to the fullest, as the present thread will soon be woven into the endless strand of the past.

For those who worry only about the past and the future will miss the beauty of today and will arrive in tomorrow bearing only a collection of empty yesterdays

-NMK, 1995

Best wishes to the Class of 1999 !!!!!!!

Noel Melitta Kramer, D.O.

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Gettsburg College, B.S.
Greensburg, Pennsylvania

"Not everything that counts can be counted"
Dr. Denis Burkit

Gretchen A. Krimmel, D.O.

CHARLES NICHOLAS KROME, D.O.

University of Maryland, B.S.
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"The needs of the many...outweigh the needs of the few...or the one"

Leonard Nimoy in Star Trek II The Wrath of Khan

Well, colleagues of 1999, we have finally come to the end of what has been the longest road of our lives. For some of us the road has been rockier than others, nevertheless, it is time to move on to reap the rewards of our hard work. Thus, it is with great pride and an awesome sense of satisfaction that I say the following:

Mom & Dad: Thank you for all the love and support you've given me throughout the past four years...without this I would have never made it. You've always told me to stay focused and work hard and in the end everything would work out. Thus it has, and I have finally attained my dream! I love you!

Paul: No matter what anyone tells you, do in life whatever you wish, all it takes is a little effort - and you give more than anyone I know.

Goss: I knew 4 years ago we'd either join forces or kick the #@#$ out of each other - I'm glad you were there when I needed you. I'm proud to call you my best friend. I wish you and Stacy the world together.

Pete: "Pitchers","...continue meds!" You made me feel like I was back in college again. Medical school was just a little easier hanging out with you. I know we'll be friends for life.

Nick B., Oakes and the rest of the Key West Crew -Have a Corona, a Cuban and the Sunset Pier - "I'll see you in Brazil!!!"

Kazdan and Kulka: Thanks for being the most genuine-true friends a man could ask for.

Charles N. Krome, D.O.

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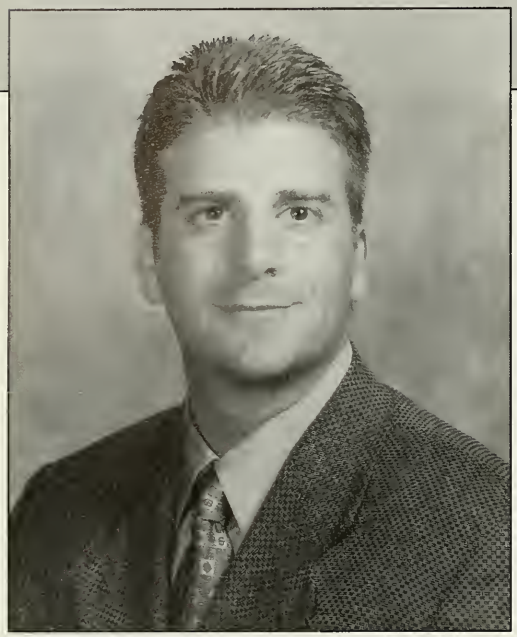

Lisa: "I Love You." Thank you Lisa for an unprecedented amount of support from the very beginning. Without you, my dream of becoming a physician would be exactly that, only a dream. You mean the world to me.

Ryan: Having you as my daughter has made my life more meaningful than I could have ever anticipated.

Mom: Thank you for being there when I was frustrated and overwhelmed. Your reason and judgement have been a pillar in the foundation of my goals as well as my achievements in work and in life.

In Memory of Dad: Your love of science, as well as your kindness and respect of all people has inspired me, and has set an example that I will strive to meet for the rest of my life.

Michael: Thank you for being my mentor, role model, and caring father-in-law. You have directly shaped my ongoing quest for knowledge, my respect for medicine, and most importantly my love of golf.

Holly, Ellen, Mark, Carrie, Thelma, Raymond and family, thank you all for your support and interest in my endeavors, you are all truly special to me.

Matthew Kulka D.O.

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Seek first to understand and then to be understood. Most people do not listen with the intent to understand: they listen with the intent to reply. They're filtering everything through their own paradigms, reading their autobiography into other people's lives.

Stephen R. Covey

As we turn and look back on time, we realize that we put forth toward achieving our goals. We sometimes lose sight of the ones around us who are closest to our hearts that gave us the emotional support to make use what we are and who we are today. I want those very people to know how much I appreciate what they have done for me. Thanks to my parents for teaching me and preparing me for life and not letting me give up when times were tough. Thanks to Lisa and Michael for listening and being there for me. Thanks to my grandparents for making me feel like the "world's greatest doctor" even though I was still in medical school. Special thanks toAnn and Paul Becker for giving me the best thing in life, my wife Nicole. Nicole, I owe everything I have to you. Your love and support helped me through the toughest times of my life. Most of all thanks for giving me my "little buddy", my son Gage.

Brian D. Kuronya, D.O.

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Lewisberry, Pennsylvania

"The Physician heals, Nature makes well."

Chinese fortune cookie received during Bucknell University orientation 1990

Mom and Dad

Not only have you given me the love, support, and encouragement to reach my goals, but you have tolerated my unconventional ways of acquiring them. Thank you for supporting me and the decisions I make as the journey continues. I credit you both for my accomplishments thus far. Without your guidance and direction, I would not be where I am today. Words can not express my true appreciation of you both. I love you with all my heart.

Lisa

You are my one and only sister that I love very much. I hope we continue to be close regardless of the distance that separates us.

Maurice

Only you can truly understand the demands of medical school. Thank you for pulling me through tough times when I really needed it. You will forever hold a special place in my heart.

Linda M. Landino, D.O.

Susan Lyn Ledbetter, D.O.

University of Florida, B.A.
Winter Park, Florida

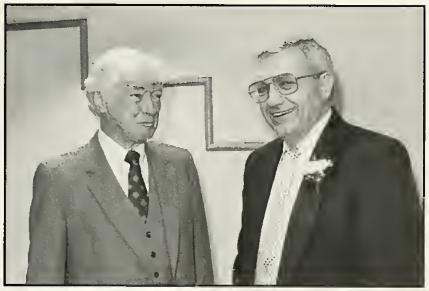
"Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage."
Lao Tzu

The person I have become today is, in great part, due to those around me. If I am kind, it is because those around me were always kind. If I am strong, it is because those around me taught me how to stand on my own and be strong. I know how to laugh because those around me have always laughed and loved life. I know how to love because I have always been loved.

Thank you to all my family and friends. You know I love you.

For Dad and Uncle Dan: I will always love you and miss you. I may wish you here physically, but I know you will always be there in my heart.

This is Susan — aka Sooze, aka Doc, aka Hoppie — signing off.



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"[There is] no beginning to shadow, no end of light."
- Hyemeyohsts Storm

"Join the great company of those who make the barren places of life fruitful with kindness. Carry a vision of heaven in your soul, and you shall make your home, your college, the world correspond to that vision. Your success and happiness lie in you. External conditions are the accidents of life, its outer trappings. The great enduring realities are love of service. Joy is the holy fire that keeps our purpose warm and our intelligence aglow. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulty."
- Helen Keller

Warmest thanks to Mom (who encouraged me by example to do whatever I wanted), Kari (the most supportive and wisest friend), Grandpa (role model of a healer), Daddy (for expanding my mental/spiritual limits), Duncan (we experienced so much - no regrets), Glen (always remarkably present), Marcus (no Boston creme today), WOS, Zucchini, Andrew (singing in histolab at 1am), Kevin (who abducted the alien?), Hank (numerous gripe sessions), Danielle (MIII/MIV Savior), Nancy (co-conspirator), Nurse Steve (welcome to the world of voodoo), Alison (kismet), Robert (remember rule #1 - can you read my mind yet?), Gray Antelope (your wisdom) and others who supported and nurtured me.

D.O.

MATTHEW AARON LIEBENTRITT, D.O.

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You have to decide if the experience you will have is worth the pain you will feel.
Jack Youngblood

The experience was worth the pain.

Mom: You have been the biggest part of my life for the past twenty six years, which makes me the luckiest person in the world. The support, compassion and love you've given me are immeasurable. Even though I'm all grown up and away from home, you'll always be in my heart.

Dad: I can now relate to what you went through and I admire, respect and thank you. I'm very appreciative of everything you've done for me throughout the years.

Grandpa: I've looked up to you for as long as I can remember. You've been the greatest role model and friend a grandson could ask for. The days we've spent fishing are some of the most memorable and special days of my life.

Carrie and Sarah: I'm so proud of everything you have accomplished. Whether you know it or not, I'm always bragging about my two younger sisters.

My Relatives: I've been blessed with a very close and caring family who have always been there for the important times in my life.

My Friends: Throughout grade school, high school, college and medical school I've been very fortunate to have such incredible friendships. Many times I've needed you to talk with, laugh with or get away with and you've always helped me through the tough times.

I love all of you very much and I wouldn't be the person I am today without your support. **Thank you.**

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Watch "The Andy Griffith Show" to help put things in perspective.
Life's Little Instruction Book

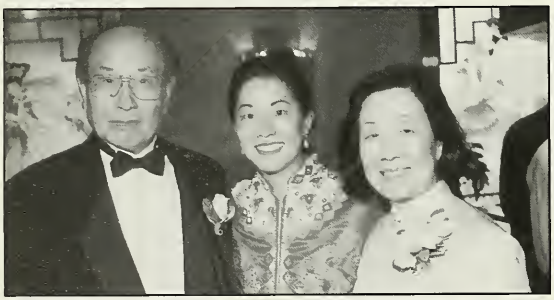
To my classmates: Best wishes and much happiness to you all!

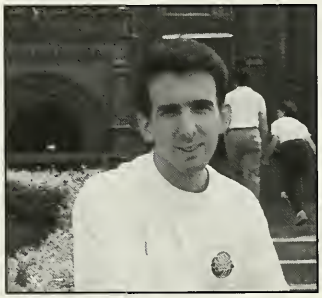
To my friends: Michele, Molly, Jenny, and Tae - thanks for keeping me sane when I felt insane. Yoon - you're the sister I never had. Joan and Ken - You two have been my family for the last four years. Our study sessions, midnight desserts, two person CPR, juicing, rockclimbing (not). . .is what I will remember most about medical school. Jerry and Ken S. - summer start would have never been the same! Katie - my new Maryland sister. Emily - female power! Todd - Olive juice. Paula - EKG queen.

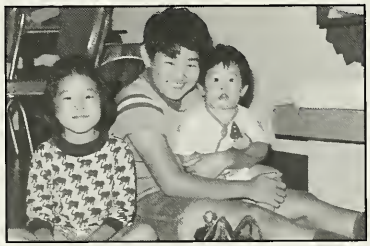
To Drs. Shore, Jensen, Leviton, Hiatt, Gartner, and Jeck and Josie: Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

To my family: We did it! I owe you so much (Tom - no pun intended). This is as much as your accomplishment as it is mine.

John: This would mean nothing, if I couldn't share it with you. Ready to conquer the World?







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"Art is a discipline, practiced with passion. Medicine is a passion, practiced with discipline."
Unknown

Marti- Thank you for the tremendous amount of love, support and guidance throughout these four difficult years. I will never forget the strength and courage it took to bring our beautiful children into this world. Forever in love.

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Mom- You have been my inspiration. Thank you for your strength and guidance growing up and never letting me settle for second best. I love you and I hope you are proud.

Dad- I appreciate the encouragement, support and advice you have given me. I love you and I know you will always be there for me.

Gram- I am so grateful that you have been an important part of my life. Thank you for always being there. I love you.

Kristina- You're a great sister. Thank you for love and encouragement these past four years.

Mr & Mrs. G- you have always been there for us, we could not have made it without you.

Pop- If only you could see me now. I miss you.

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You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose...You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So get on your way!
Mordechai Seuss, D.O.

Mom and Dad: I can never thank you two enough for all you have done for me these past years. You continue to be my biggest fans and that means more to me than you will ever know. I probably don't say this often enough so I'm saying it now, I love you.

Stacey: You are one of the two best sisters anyone could ever want. Stace, I'll answer your "dumb" questions anytime (but I probably won't stop making faces when you ask them).

Jen: You are the other of the two best sisters anyone could ever want. This world needs more great teachers and you are destined to become one.

Jon and Lee: Better brother's in law there can not be.

Todd and Matt: I can't even begin to put into words how much you guys mean to me. If my sisters weren't married you would be the brothers I never had. Thanks for always being there.

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" Do not follow where the path may lead, Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."
ANON

I have to thank the rest of my team:

To my mother: I can never express the amount of gratitude I have for all the sacrifices you have made along the way. This is our D.O. degree. Thank you. I love you.

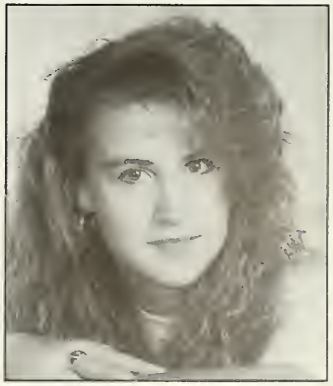
Scott and Jimmy: What can I say, being a brother is the toughest but most rewarding experience a guy can have. I've loved every minute of it. I look forward to more calm golf outings! Lets get together more often bros! Thanks for everything. I love you guys.

Chris and Emil: Having a second family and an adopted father has meant a lot to me. I couldn't have felt more welcome in your family and I appreciate that more than you can ever know.

Kelly: The past five years have been wonderful. You have always been there for me, even when I was cranky from studying. I look forward to having you as my wife and life partner, and I can't wait for the wedding. I love you!!

BOB: All of the laughs we had along the way certainly helped make the path a lot smoother. I'll always be there for you Holmes! (Sorry,... Dr. Holmes!)

Chris



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"No one can arrive from being talented alone. God gives talent, work transforms talent into genius."
Anna Pavlova

Mom and Dad: Since I was a little girl, you taught me to always remain grounded and that one-day hard work and persistence would enable me to fulfill my dream of becoming a physician. Thank you for your constant support, encouragement, and belief in me. Your continuous love and devotion provided me with such strength that it allowed me to fulfill my dream. I will be forever grateful to both of you. I love you.

Dafni and Maria: My two little sisters..... You both have been there for me throughout my various trials throughout these four years. I love you both dearly.

To my friends: Sam, Lori, Cristina, Thuy, Rachel, Rhonda, Eileen, and Vicki... These past four years we have shared both laughter and many tears. You all made the struggles of medical school bearable. I was blessed with the opportunity to build such wonderful and supporting friendships that will last forever.

To Kimon: We met four years ago and from that point in time you grew to become my best friend. You have changed my life. Your constant encouragement and support helped me to succeed these past four years. I will be forever grateful to God for sending me you, my guardian angel.

Helen Manalis, D.O.

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"The dedicated physician is constantly striving for a balance between personal, human values, scientific realities and the inevitabilities of God's will." David Allman

MOM & DAD: Thank you for everything you've done over the years to help me fulfill my aspirations. Your love, support and encouragement inspired me to work hard and make you both proud. I am grateful for all the sacrifices you've both made for Danny, Nick and me so that we would have an education and life-style that was never available to you. You're the best parents a son can hope for, and I love you both very much!

NICK & DANNY: Despite all the times we argue, I love and care for you guys. I enjoyed growing up with you and hope we always remain close. Nick, I know you'll make a great lawyer. Danny, I wish you good luck in acting and all your endeavors.

JACQUI: Thanks honey for your patience and understanding during medical school. I never would have made it through the four years without you. Your love, company and beautiful smile kept me in good spirits during the rough times and for that I am grateful. You're very special to me, and I will always stand by you and your career. I am looking forward to spending the rest of my life with you. I love you!

FRIENDS: Thanks for all the memorable times and for making this journey more bearable. Congratulations and best of luck!

Angelo Markatos, D.O.

TIMOTHY E. MARRA, D.O.

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Camarillo, California

I try to learn as much as I can because I know nothing compared to what I need to know.
Muhammed Ali

Papa - Without you none of this would have been possible. Thank you for all your love and support and allowing me to have this opportunity of a lifetime.

Mom - It goes without saying that you have always been and continue to be the most inspirational and influential person in my life. Thank you for always being there for me. I guess inheriting your genes wasn't so bad after all.

Dave - You are a wonderful father. You mean so much to me and this family. Thank you for all your love and support through all of this. Hoorah!!!

Kim, Deb, and Tif - All of you are very dear to me. I am so proud of each one of you and very lucky to have you as sisters. You guys have always brought a lot of joy into my life.

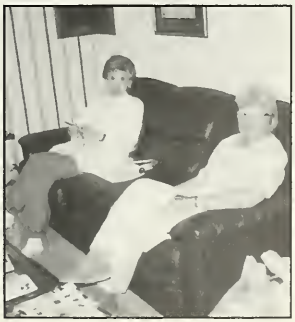
Dave S. and Dave C. - I couldn't ask for a better set of brother-in-laws. My sisters must have pretty good taste. But, who's the man?

Naehal – Congratulations, Babe! We've finally made it. It wouldn't have been fun without out you.

Julia C. - Look… I did it!!!

I love you all!

This page is dedicated in loving memory to my Uncle Dennis and Aunt Marie.



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"You cannot teach what you do not know, and you cannot lead where you will not go!"
SSgt Cowell, USMC

Mama tomato, papa tomato and baby tomato were walking down the street. Baby tomato started to fall behind, so papa tomato went back, stepped on baby tomato and said, 'ketchup'.

...and so the end of yet another chapter in my life, and as always, I didn't make it here alone. Many thanks to all my family and friends who have supported, encouraged, and listened during the last four years. Tomorrow begins a new set of challenges and dreams, but I'll wait for that story to unfold on its own.

Suzie, here's to the roller coaster. Strap in and enjoy the ride.

So long and thanks for all the fish.

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A lot of people go to college for seven years...
Chris Farley in *Tommy Boy*

To Mom: For showing me how to work hard, and for showing me how to have fun doing it. For believing that I could do this, even when I didn't. And for not killing me as a child (even though, at times, I know you wanted to).

Oh, and I'll be proud to be known as Dr. Candy's Son.

To Dad: For teaching me to be honest and to treat people fairly. For demonstrating to me that thinking only goes so far, and that feeling is really what counts. And for not laughing too hard when your 5 year old said that he had waited all day to bang you off the walls.

I still think that I would have won that fight.

To all of my Family: The Matsons, Liggetts, Kaplans, and Duffys,
For everything that each of you has done for me and for each thing that all of you are for me.

To my Friends: Indian, Bonner, USMC, Temple, PCOM, Farrell's Florist, Uncle Bill's,
For helping me keep straight and focused when I was a little blurry, and for helping me get a little blurry when I got too straight and focused.

To my Bride: Jenny (Cutie),
For Julie Whelan's 25th B-Day party, for our wedding day, and for every wonderful day that we share.
For how much I love you today and for how much more I'll love you tomorrow.

Thank You

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Cause you are free to do what you want to do. You've got to live your life. Do what you want to do...Don't be scared. Your dreams right there. You want it – Reach for it!!....Cause you are free.
Ultranate

MOM and DAD: Mom thank you for cooking for me and giving me the strength to carry on. Dad, thank you for taking care of the kitties and the best breakfasts!!!!
MAXIE and TIGER and PUFF: Meow, Meow and Meow!!!
MARCIA: Thank you for typing my medical school application!!!
PAMMY: Are we done yet?
MOMMYGIRLS: Laura, Terri, Adele, Tina - I will always have a special place in my heart for the **MommyGirls**. Rouge, The Roc, Rocco, 8ThStreetLounge, The Edge, Coffee, Margate, Salon Sabel, Pickles, Code J, French Manicures, Pookey's Tanning Salon, BeBe, Bloomingdale's, NO CARBS, Michael's Gym, Halfies, Melrose Diner, Stinky, Pleasure Me, Mole Man, Manicotti, Johnny Bag O Donuts, Release Me, Blue Collar Contribution, Braciole, Donna Summer, Points...Cosmopolitians, Jacks, OD, Big AL, ...Cause we're FREE
ROSE: Perfect Hair and Santa's Cookies!!!!
LUCY and HENRY: FEAR THE JIGGLER!!!!!
CYNDY, JOHN, ELIZABETH: Elizabeth, I promise you a Mercedes.
JASON AND KRISTI: Thank you for being great friends and Boo-Boo Kitty.
JON: Give up NH for SP!!! Hugs and Kisses!!!!!
DR MOCHAN: Thank you for believing in me.
UNCLE CHEECH: Thank you for teaching me how to fish.
CAROL FOX: Enjoy Michael's Gym.

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"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."
–Philippians 4:13

"Believe in yourself but don't be over confident;
Be satisfied but know that you can always improve;
Accept love graciously and always be ready to give more;
Be modest in victory and success and courageous in defeat;
Give comfort and security to others and you will always receive it in return."

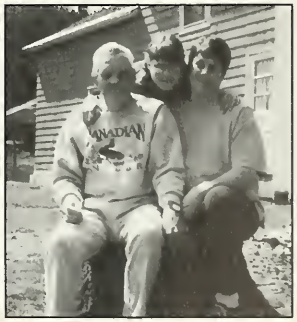
-Lee Wilkinson

Paul: Thank you for being my anchor. I am able to survive anything knowing that I can come home to your words of encouragement, understanding, and love.

Honey & Uncle: Thank you for all of your love and support.

Mom: I am everything I am because *you* loved me.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."
–Eleanor Roosevelt



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"Dear Lord, though Great Physician, I kneel before Thee... give skill to my hand, clear visi to my mind, kindness and sympathy to my heart."
A Physicians Prayer, A.T. Still, M.D., D.

Mom and Dad, I dedicate all of my hard work and accomplishments, the biggest to date being Medical School graduation, to you. You are the best parents I could ever ask for. Throughout everything you have always been my biggest supporters and have never lost faith in my abilities. My upbringing and schooling were the best imaginable and you have allowed me to be in the position that I am today. I can only hope that I will continue to make you proud as I move on in my career as a caring physician and human being.
MOM – to a great friend, our relationship has meant so much to me. Thank you for everything you do for me, you're truly the best Mother in the world.
DAD – I don't think I can ever thank you enough for all the guidance and advice that you have bestowed on me. You are always the person I call and I depend on you so very much.
I LOVE BOTH OF YOU VERY MUCH !
Brian, Meredith, Matthew, and Kathleen – I love each of you very much. You are the best family I could ever have. I am so proud and happy to be your brother. I look forward to the future and all it holds. I know that we will always be this close.

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Mom and Dad: Well, it is finally here. Thanks for all the love and guidance throughout the years. I could not have made it without your encouragement.

To my brothers and family: Thanks for the constant love and support.

To my friends: You have always helped me realize that I was never too busy for a few laughs. Thanks for keeping me sane.

To the Mauch Chunk Medical Center Gang: Your support and inspiration through the years has made the journey a little easier.

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"A chance to cut is a chance to cure."

Richard Citta, D.O.

Mom & Dad McGann: Thank you for your unparalleled guidance and encouragement that has shaped my life into what it is today. You have always been there for me in my successes and never judged me in my failures. Your many prayers and moral support have lifted me throughout the past four years. I love you!

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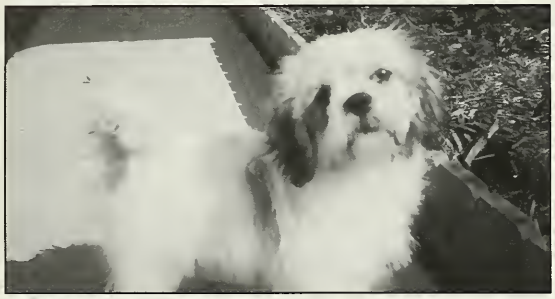
Glenn, Jos, & Toby: DADDY DID IT! Thank you for being so patient with me. I love you so very much!

Susan: You are truly the world's most remarkable woman! Your undying devotion to me is without equal. Over the last four years, there have been many instances where you were my ONLY cheerleader and many times when you were my coach. Words cannot begin to explain the depth of my love for you. Without you, this accomplishment that I enjoy today would not be possible. YOU ARE THE KEYSTONE OF MY LIFE!



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I have dreamed since I was little of becoming a doctor. There were times that I wasn't sure I would ever see this day. We are finally at the end of a very long and challenging road. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those people who have been so supportive and understanding during this journey. I couldn't have done it without you. Thank you to my parents who have always supported my every decision. The lessons and values that you taught me and instilled in me are what enabled me to get to where I am right now. Thank you to my husband who has been right there with me every step of the way. Your never ending patience, understanding, forgiveness, and unconditional love are the things that keep me going even when challenges seem unconquerable. And to my friends who have always been there to talk to when things are rough and to laugh with when things are great. Another stepping stone is behind us. Good luck in the future to everyone in the class of 1999.

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The only accomplishment of limiting your options is optioning your own limits.
Unknown

Nina- *Just call my name and I'll be there.* I know I am loved because you are in my life. Always remember rule #1 and never forget to park on an end spot. Medicine was my career goal but my goal in life was to find you. I love you.

Mom and Dad- Whatever I did, I had your support. Your faith in me has made this all possible. Without your help, guidance, and encouragement, I would be lost. I love you both. Thank you. Your son, Kevin Michael McGeehan

Jen- Thank you for putting up with me for all these years. I may not act like it and I may not have said it, but I am proud to have you as my sister.

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Camy – You showed me that life extends beyond school work and for that, I can not thank you enough.

Fellow classmates- *...and so it shall begin...*

If we could not laugh, we would all go insane.
Jimmy Buffett

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The miracle isn't that I finished... The miracle is that I had the courage to start.
John Bingham - The Penguin Chronicles

Congratulations!
Today is your day.
You're off to Great Places!
You're off and away!

You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself
Any direction you choose.

So be sure when you step.
Step with care and great tact
and remember that Life's a Great Balancing Act.
Just never forget to be dexterous and deft.
And *never* mix up your right foot with your left.

And will you succeed?
Yes! You will, indeed!
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Excerpts from ***Oh, the Places You'll Go!*** By Dr. Seuss

David, Lisy and Chris: I *love* going places with you guys! Thank you for being there every step of the way! You have given me the courage to start.

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"What you know is useless, what you don't know can do you great harm."
—Cicero

I entered his room
Which had cold sterile walls
And it was tightly groomed

I heard wild calls
Painful voices lingered
Thru the hospital halls

Mr. Makowski
Hands clasped behind his head
He looked like he was sunbathing
His cheeks were fire-engine red

Peacefully, he slept
Barely making a sound
He was a man who never wept
As his health had spiraled down

For not one or two
There were several reasons
For his declining health
All of which don't quite matter
For he would be dead in only a few hours

As I approached his bed
I wanted to say my good-byes
He jumped up shocked and startled
I had taken him by surprise

Cookies? he offered
He shoved them in my thighs
Said "my family loves to send sweets"
"They're good...They're good!" he repeats

I ate a cookie
It crumbled in my hands
Not bad, not too bad at all
Well, it was just a little bland

Yesterday he left
Without telling a soul
"Business had to get done", he said
"I can't just sit and wait for the crow"

He really looked smart
As the staff tried to find him a bed
They looked for his wheelchair and chart
And he sat with his hands clasped behind his head

To the world he made little impact
Would have eventually faded away
He didn't have many words of wisdom
No money nor prosperity, but that's OK

Destiny is such
A place that is between
Here and obscurity
Where the insignificant die
A death of a thousand times

And I may not have understood him
But I can say without chance
His name was Mr. Makowski and I did know him
As the life he had
Continues through his family and this poem

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David: I know you only planned to live through this once. Thanks for going through it a 2nd time with me. You are the love of my life.

Brandon: Your arrival was undoubtedly the highlight of these four years. Words cannot describe the joy you bring into my life.

To my dear family: You are all so special. Your love and support has helped me immeasurably.

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"God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

The Serenity Prayer

"To laugh often and much, to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children;
To earn the appreciation of honest critics, and endure the betrayal of false friends;
To appreciate beauty, to find the best in others, to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition;
To know that even one life has breathed easier because you have lived;
This is to have succeeded."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

I dedicate this degree to my parents who have made me what I am today. Your unconditional love and support has brought me through a very difficult journey, and for this I am forever grateful. I am very blessed to have such caring, unselfish and inspirational parents. I love you.

I would also like to thank my friends: Helen, Sam, Cristina, Kimon, Thuy, Rhonda, Rachel, Vicki, and Eileen, with whom I have shared this journey. I could not have done this without you. I will take a part of each of you with me wherever I go, and for this reason alone I cannot be anything less than a wonderful physician.

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"He stood atop the high rooftops and let out a tremendous WAAAALLLPP!!"

Walt Whitman

To make an attempt at a summary of one's FIVE YEARS (What was I thinking) in medical school and try to remember all that have tugged, pulled, pushed, and walked with me along the way would be an impossibility and a dishonor to the people who all hold a special place in my HEART. There are those who have seen me grow and mature and who have been there throughout my life, never judgmental, just supporting and temporizing as I hike my path down the road of life. I love you Heather.
DAD: I thank you for always being the wonderful romantic that you are, and for always being my biggest fan (ankle).
MOM: I thank you for always being the ever present teacher and friend that helped me deal with every door I opened.
BRIAN: Thank you for always being there to help give me guidance unknowingly throughout your entire life (Isn't that what big brother's are for?).
SUE: Thank you for help shine a light always where you are to help get me where I am going.
HARRY & FRAN: Thank you for being the lighthouse to look to throughout my life with Heather.
My family, I love you all.
ARLENE & JOHN: My new mom and dad, you have showed me the selfless caring and love that I can only hope to share with you both throughout my life. Thank you John and Arlene, for guidance and joy and the acceptance you have showed me.
To all my friends, without all the love and support that you all have shown me during my years at school, I would be nothing and you all have helped me every step of the way.
It was just **October 10, 1998**. I got married. I have just started a journey with the one with whom I will share all my hopes, fears, and dreams. I love you Heather. Tap three times...
Carpe diem

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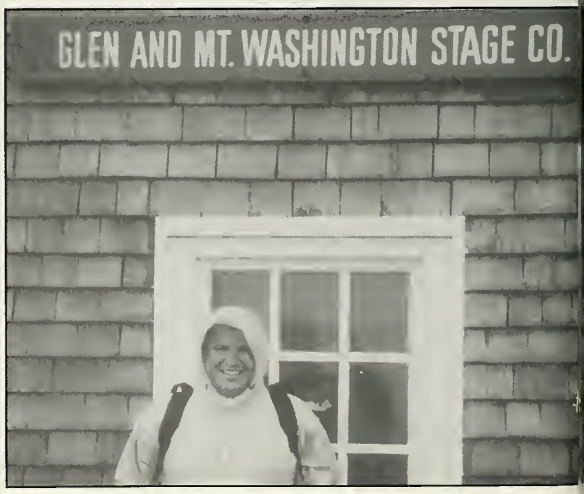
"Worry about something BIG!"
Arlene Rakar

Mom and Dad: You have both been there, helping me pursue my dreams – I can only begin to thank you for your love, support and encouragement. Mom, I am *still* trying to just make it be 12…

Jess and Shaun: I love you chunk!

Kelly: Glen and I can't wait to christen the Betschart wing of our house so you will have plenty of space when you visit us (or babysit!?!)

Bitzer: If only your golf game was as good as your ability to be my best friend! I treasure the memories we have already created and look forward to many future adventures as your wife! Just remember, when I tap you three times…



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"I have never seen a smiling face that was not beautiful."
H.Jackson Brown, Jr.

Mom, you are my inspiration. I use the values and morals you taught me everyday of my life. You are an absolutely amazing, strong , loving person. You have an incredible way of making everyday a little extra special for everyone around you. I thank God for blessing me with such a wonderful friend and mother. I honestly could have never done this without you. Thank you so much for our late night talks, warm hugs, and crazy laughs. You might not believe this, but the greatest compliment I ever got was, "Amy, you remind me of your mother." You made me real. I Love you.

Dad, to the most generous man in the world. You have given me it all; love, support, and strength. From throwing softballs in the backyard, to giving me advice about the many decision I make, you've always supported me and I thank you. You've given me the strength and desire to always try my hardest and never accept anything but the best. You make the whole family very proud. Thank you. I Love You.

Todd and Tim, you two are the best brothers ever!!! I am so proud of both of you. You have grown into wonderful, loving, successful men, with beautiful families. I cherish all the memories we share and look forward to the many more to be made. You are truly admired by you lil'sis. I love you. Boogie.

Jason, We have grown up together and experienced everything. I cherish our relationship with all my heart. I would never be here without your support, Thank you. You are truly my best friend and always will be a part of me. I am more proud of you than you could ever know.

Josh, Brielle, and Ryan, You are the sunshine and happiness in my life.

Grandma Mitchell, I thank you and Grandpa for showing the true meaning of love and devotion. Thank you for all your guidance and support. I Love you both dearly.

To all my friends, **Laleh, Jen, Lauri, Lauren, Kim, Susan**, and many, many more, thank you for all the fun times we have shared. I couldn't have done it without you.

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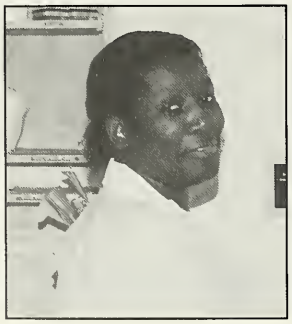
" Desire to take medicines...distinguishes man from animals. "
Sir William Osler

This degree is dedicated in the loving memory of my youngest brother Dave who passed away before his time. To my mother whose support financially and spiritually helped me to achieve greatness. To Carol Fox and the people in the Admissions office who took a chance on me and believed I could be successful in medical school, even if I didn't think so at that time. Finally to Mrs. Lau my biology teacher in high school who always pushed me and told me that I would be her first doctor.



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"The only things you regret in life are the things you didn't do."
Jennifer Phillips

Without the support and help of so many people I could not have made it to or through medical school. If I were a great writer, I would try to portray my thanks and appreciation for everything each of these people have done. My parents, who supported me through the worse and best of times. My aunts and uncles who fed me, put me up and put up with me when things were getting crazy. My sisters and their families, who's moral support was unending. My friends who encouraged me and kept their sense of humor, when I was being impossible. If I could write, I would tell you that I am so lucky that sometimes I have to pinch myself to be sure it's really me, and you would understand just how much I appreciate everyone who helped me to get here.

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Commit Your Works to the Lord and Your Plans Will Succeed.

Proverbs 16:3

Thanks to everyone for the unconditional love and support.
God: I know I can do all things through You who strengthens me. I am truly blessed, Thank You!
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Sonya: Thanks for being my protector, my confidant, my best friend. Your baby sister's a doctor!
Samara & Greg: My big sister & the "big brother I never had". I am proud, joyous, encouraged, and envious of the life you have built together. I will take care of my nieces and nephews free of charge!
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Kay: My 2nd mother and my 1st patient. Thanks for the encouragement and God bless you always.
Tammy & Monique: The best friends in the world, thanks for always being there when I need you.
The "Family": I couldn't have made it through without you guys, best wishes with your future endeavors.
Grandma Cleater, Granddaddy Buddy, & Harry: This is for you,... I miss you all very much.

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"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."
Oliver Wendell Holmes

Mom: Thank You!! Your constant support, endless encouragement and NUMEROUS prayers have helped me more than you can ever imagine.

Dad: Yes, that day has finally come to take you to the finest restaurant in town, as I have promised for over ten years now—your choice! Thanks for your tremendous love and support.

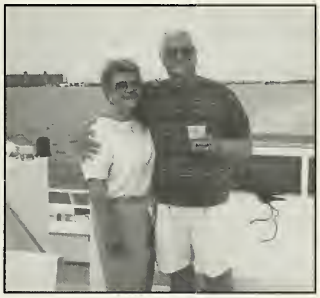
Howard: Your love, humor, and yes—mechanical expertise, has helped me greatly over the years. Thanks so much!

Mary Helen/ William and Anthony: My sister/brothers, running partners, comedians and best friends. You guys have helped me keep my sanity. Thanks for always believing in and supporting me.

Grandma M: Your delicious dinners, deep talks, and witty jokes will never be forgotten. Yes, I am finally done!

Grandma S: Thank you for your prayers and support during these past few years.

Leon: I don't think I could ever thank you enough. Your patience, love, support and encouragement has kept



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"Up, sluggard, and waste not life; in the grave will be sleeping enough." Benjamin Franklin

"We do not stop playing because we are old, we grow old because we stop playing" Author Unknown

Many years of hard work, many hardships conquered, many people who helped, many to thank.

I thank God for leading me to medicine, and keeping me on the path.

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To my Mom, Dad, Brad, Joelle, Natasha, Alysha, and Zac: thanks for always believing in me and for your encouragement. I love you all very much!

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To Wishbone and Happy Guy: Thanks for everything.

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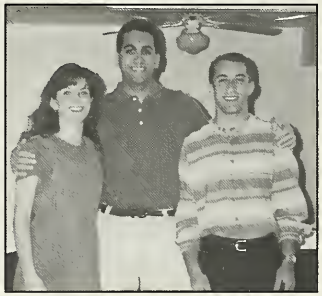

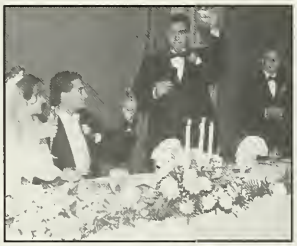

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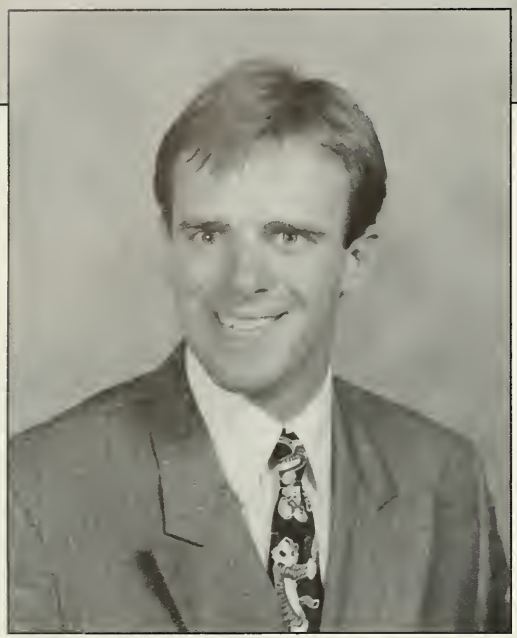

Temple University, B.A.
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

"If at first you don't succeed, keep on sucking 'til you do suck seed."
Curly Howard

I've been very fortunate. I have a great family and friends who are always very supportive. I can't adequately thank them for everything they've done for me.

I guess I'm sort of obligated to mention the class of '99 also. You guys have been great. Thank you for making the past four years fly by. Special thanks to the easy targets in my scribe notes - I just want you guys to know that I really meant every word. And thank you to my friends in the back row who helped me annoy everyone within a thirty foot radius (probably 45 ft - we were pretty damn loud). You guys are the best.

Congratulation and good luck to everyone in the class of '99.

John Myers, D.O.

David Lawrence Nelson, D.O.

Hobart College, B.S.
Barnstable, Massachusetts

Society speaks and all men listen. Mountains speak, and wise men listen.

John Miur

This page is dedicated to Julius and Margaret Nelson, Melvin Dichter and Drew Fayne. These people led extraordinary lives and taught me many things.

To my mother and father: From the bottom of my heart I thank you for all your support and love. I love you both so much; you guys are the best.

To my grandmother: Neenie, you have always been so good to me. I know Baba would be proud. I will attempt to honor his memory by being a good physician. I love you very much.

To my friends at PCOM, especially Jeff Amato, Jeff Bubis and Keith Barton: We made it, guys. I wish you all the best in the coming years, both professionally and personally.

To Lily Williams: You are so awesome. I have enjoyed the time we have spent together and I look forward to the great things our futures hold. I love you!

To my friends from Hobart and William Smith and from Cape Cod: All of you have helped to be the foundation for this. I will never forget the selflessness and support shown to me during my time at PCOM. Thank you for being great people. Andy, Charlemagne is smiling.

David L. Nelson, D.O.

Deborah D. Nemec, D.O.

Sacred Heart University, B.S.
Fairfield, Connecticut

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DANA LEE NEWSWANGER, D.O.

University of Delaware, B.A.
The Pennsylvania University, M.S.
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

"He that would live in peace and at ease, must not speak all he knows, nor judge all he sees."
Benjamin Franklin

God thank you for answering my prayers and the prayers of the friends and family who believed in me!
Mom & Dad: Thank you for your continued love, support and encouragement. Because of your faith in me, I have reached this goal. Thank you for the sacrifices you have made and for sharing this dream with me. Thank you for teaching me the value of goodness, kindness and hard work. I am so happy you could join in the celebration of this day with me. I hope I will always make you proud!
Cuie: Thank you for being there for me when I needed a friend the most. Your faith in God, renewed my faith. I gain strength from your goodness. Thank you for reminding me to appreciate the simple pleasures in life. I will never again walk a path without looking at the sky and giving thanks. I have truly been blessed by your friendship.
My dear friend Fletch: Thank you for always believing in me and encouraging me, unconditionally! I feel the deepest sadness that you could not be here to share this day with me. I know that you would have been so proud. I will never forget your words of support - "do your best, Dana, that's all I ask."
T. Holt: I really miss you! I know you would have been an excellent physician. You will be my guiding force as I practice. Although I could never be the activist that you could have been, I am hopeful that the gift of my service to our community will make you proud!
My family: Thank you for the love and support you have shown me over the years. You were with me when this dream began, thank you for sharing the reality.
My friends: Thanks for the many good times and the laughter that got me through the truly difficult days of med school. I am fortunate to have friends that I can count on 24 hours a day - not many people do. I look forward to the future memories we will share. I will always measure my success by the number of faithful friends I have!
The journey to this day has been long and difficult. I am truly thankful that my dream of one day practicing medicine has finally come true. Never lose sight of your dream and never stop believing in yourself. **I DID IT!**

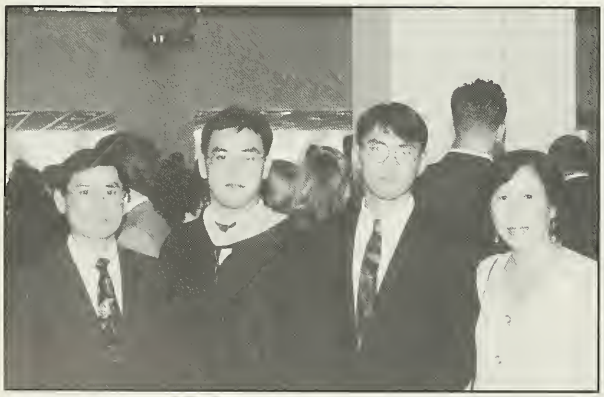
Dana L Newswanger, D.O.

VIETNHAN HOANG NGUYEN, D.O.

St. Joseph's University, B.S.
Broomall, Pennsylvania

"Fundamental principal of medicine is love"
Paracelsus

Mom & Dad: Thank you so much for being the best parents anyone could hope for. You have been by my side every step of the way. Thanks for your love, support, guidance and understanding.
Mom: You deserve extra special thanks, I could have never made it this far without you. You are my role model, your strength is immeasurable.
Vietbang: Thanks for being my brother, You are the best.
My friends: Thanks for all the memories and good times.
Good luck to all.

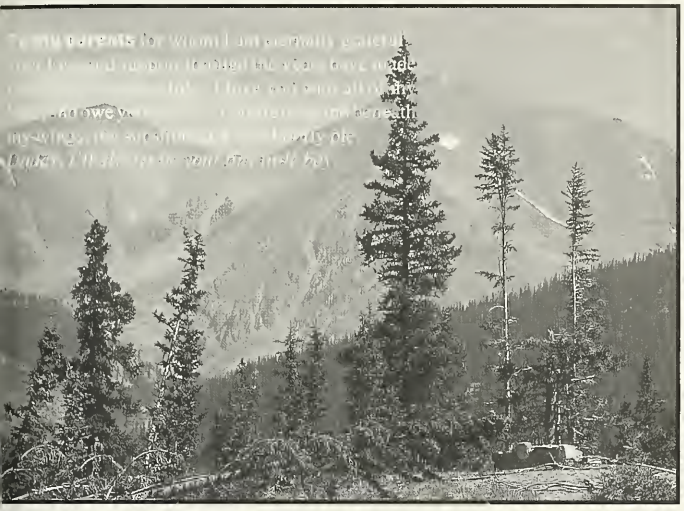


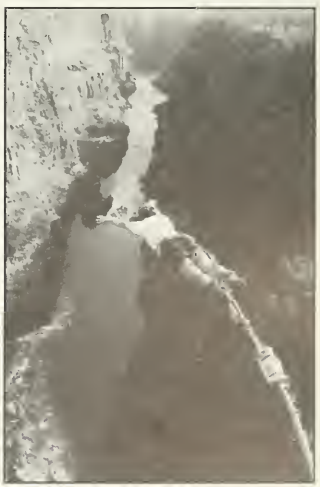
Vietnhan H. Nguyen, D.O.

Charles Ronald Nuss, Jr., D.O.

West Chester University, B.S.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

"To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived, this is to have succeeded."
Ralph Waldo Emerson





Charles R. Nuss Jr., D.O.

JILL ELAINE NYE, D.O.

Bloomsburg University, B.S.
Shamokin, Pennsylvania

How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather than silver!
Proverbs 16:16

Todd- Ours isn't a typical marriage, living apart, only seeing each other on weekends, but we've made it. You've been supportive, understanding and always eager to hear about my day, no matter how boring. You mean the world to me and I am looking forward to spending the rest of my tomorrows with you. I love you.
Mom and Dad- I cannot thank you enough for your never-ending support, encouragement and love. Without this I would not be who or where I am today. Thanks also for enduring all the times when Todd, Jake and I invade your house, a lot of times without warning. You are the best parents. I love you both very much.
Kimberly- my sister. Your love of medicine, compassion, spirit and determination are an inspiration to me. Although you probably do not know it, I strive to be better than I am because of you. I love you.
Family and Friends- We've enjoyed many things together, weddings, vacations, sporting events, concerts, dining out, etc. This allows me to stay sane and I thank you for that!
Jake- my dog, my baby, my booshy- I love you.

Jill E. Nye D.O.

Michael Joseph Oakes, D.O.

Immaculata College, B.A.
West Chester, Pennsylvania

Gram, Mom, Dad, John, Kathy, Kevin, Nancy, Colleen, Pat, Tim, Terry, and Joey - Thanks for all your love, prayers, and support throughout my life. I love you all very much.
Frank - We were friends from day one. I'll always remember the great times we had through med school - especially when we were Frick and Frack. Thanks for being an awesome friend and being there when I really needed you. You're a good man Frank - stay that way.
John - Well we have, without a doubt, been through our share of fiascoes these past four years and I wouldn't trade one of them in for anything. Thanks for being such a great friend especially during the down times.
Steve - I'll always remember the great times we had down on Main Street and in Key West - but most especially "The Pause."
Krome - Salute. See ya in Brazil buddy.
Jeanne - When I think of you I'll always remember a kind, warm, and good-hearted person.
Capes, Senu, Simpson, and Chris - You guys definitely made med school bearable.
Dave - What can I say? The Class of 1999, (and Manyunk), surely wouldn't have been the same without you. You most definitely added spice to PCOM. We certainly have many stories and memories to cherish and none of them involve going to jail - pretty amazing. You are a great friend.
Pam - I'm so glad I got to know you these past few years. You do nothing but make me laugh and feel good. I hope we continue to be such good friends for a long time. I think I hear the Arroyo Grill calling.
To all of my friends and classmates - The best of luck to each and every one of you!

Michael J Oakes D.O.

Donna Marie Olshefski, D.O.

Holy Family College, B.A.
Levittown, Pennsylvania

"To make a dream come true, the first requirement is a great capacity to dream; the second is persistence- a faith in the dream." Hans Selye, M.D.

To my Family:
I want to thank you for all your interest in my future and all the love and support you have given me over the years.

To my PCOM Friends:
You all mean the world to me. I want to thank you all for the fun times and memories we have had. I will never forget- Happy Gilmore, the famous Alan Jackson song from Myrtle Beach, the late night runs to Baskin Robbins, our OPP practice sessions, walks at West River Drive, Youle, and the many late night study sessions. I want to especially thank you, Robin, for being my study partner- I could not have done it without you.

Larry:
Can you believe it? I am finally done and soon we will starting our new life together. I do not know how to thank you for putting up with me for the past four years. You have been right there encouraging me when I was down, celebrating my every achievement, and always helping me keep it all into perspective. Thank you for believing in me! And as our song goes, "*You are all I need, my love, my Valentine.*"

Good Luck and Congratulations to the Class of 1999

Donna Olshefski, D.O.

BRIAN W. ONDULICK, D.O.

Washington and Jefferson College, B.A.
Canonsburg, Pennsylvania

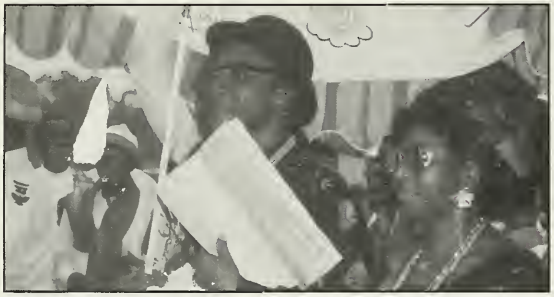
I would like to thank my family and friends for all of their love and support over the last four years. I could not have accomplished this goal without you. To my fellow classmates, congratulations and the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Brian W. Ondulick, DO

OSITADINMA OGUGUA OPARA, D.O.

University of Ilorin, Nigeria, B.S.
University of Lagos, Nigeria, M.S.
University of Maryland at College Park, M.S.
Obazu Mbieri, Nigeria

DEDICATED TO MY FATHER, CHIEF GODSON AKUCHIE OPARA EZE UGO II OF OBAZU-MBIERI & TO ALL MY PATIENTS IN MY PRACTICE OF MEDICINE. SPECIAL THANKS TO MY FAMILY, FRIENDS AND THE GREAT PCOM COMMUNITY. THANK GOD FOR MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO ACHIEVE MY LIFE LONG AMBITION.



D.O.

PETER AARON ORAVITZ, D.O.

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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

To Dad and Vicky: My thoughts are often kept to myself, but on this day, I want you to know the security I feel by having your love and never ending support and encouragement. People tell me that I have always been independent, but what they fail to realize is that it is easy to stand on your own when you have such a strong foundation to support you. I can not thank you enough for the sacrifices you have made so that I could have the life that I do. I want to share this accomplishment with you, for it is you who molded me into the person I am today and made this all possible. I love you.

To Amy, Jill, and Ken: It's amazing we all lived under the same roof and didn't kill each other! When I think of our family, so many good times come to mind I can't list them all. So much has happened and through it all, I could always count on you guys to listen, care, laugh, or just be there. No one could ask for a better brother and sisters and no one will ever have them.

To All My Boys: Although life may take us on our separate paths, we will always have our memories and our history, and that will always keep us close no matter what. Here's to great times and adding even more crazy memories....

I would like to dedicate this achievement to the memory of my mother, **Gail B. Oravitz**, whose unselfish nature and devotion to her family forged my values, character, and goals.

Peter Oravitz, D.O.

JANIE LYNETTE ORRINGTON-MYERS, D.O.

Spelman College, B.S.
Country Club Hills, Illinois

It is my right to be uncommon – if I am. I seek opportunity – not security. I want to take the calculated risk: to dream, to build, to fail and to succeed...to face the world boldly and to say " This I have done."

Unknown Author

This page is dedicated to my family, without their undying support, I would never have become the person I am today.

Mom and Dad: Words can not express how grateful I am for all your love and guidance over the years. I truly am fortunate!! I love you both.

My Husband, Benjamin: The love of my life. Thank you for all of your patience and support you gave me in reaching my goal. You are very special to me. I look forward in seeing what the future holds for us. I love you.

Grandma: Thank you for being there to always lend a helping hand. You provide me with inner strength.

My brother, James: I am so proud of you. I am honored to be your sister. Keep up the good work.

My friends: Thank you for being there and for all the great times that made being in medical school fun.

" IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY GRANDDAD, JAMES"

Janie Orrington-Myers, D.O.

EDWARD ANTHONY OVERTON, D.O.

Drexel University, B.S.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

People pay for what they do, and still more for what they have allowed themselves to become. And they pay for it very simply; by the lives they lead.
James Baldwin

Mom & Dad: As Always, I can't recall a time that you didn't give me encouragement and motivation. Without your love and support, I wouldn't have been able to achieve my goal of becoming a physician.

Grandmom: You will always be in my heart and thoughts. Thanks for all you have done for me.

Dee & Vince: Thanks for your support from day one.

My Family: To all my aunts, uncles, cousins, and neighbors. Thanks for all the continued support.

The Family: Thanks for all the good times. No matter how far apart we are, we will always have each other. Family to the end!!!

509 Crew: James, Pete, and Charlene. To the best study/party team in the school. I will always remember the endless nights of studying in 509. Thanks for being there during the last four years through the good and bad times.

Edward Overton D.O.

JOHN D. OWENS, D.O.

University of California at Santa Barbara, B.A.
San Diego, California

The journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step.

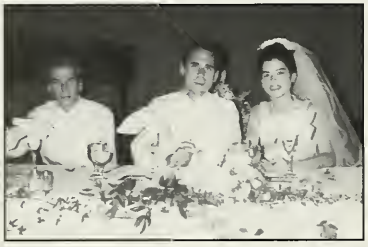
Chinese Proverb

Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful people with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan "press on" has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race.

-Calvin Coolidge

Thanks goes out to my parents, my wife, my teachers, and anyone else who believed in me more than I believed in myself. It was their love, nurturing, and support that helped me "press on" during the times I didn't think I could make it through. Your support and belief in me kept me going through many a final exam.

Remember that the key to life is personal happiness. Money, popularity, and intelligence all mean nothing if you are not happy. I am very fortunate to be in this position at this point in my life. I am sure my future will be filled with happiness, no matter what path I go down.



John D. Owens, D.O.

Jennifer Ann Pacek, D.O.

John Carroll University, B.S.
Natrona Heights, Pennsylvania

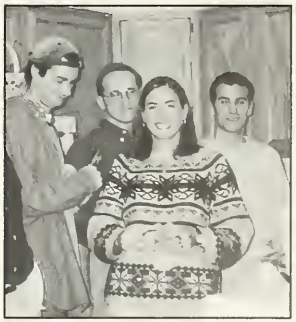
May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine upon your face. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.
Irish Proverb

Mom and Dad
Thanks to you both for helping me through this very long journey of 20 years of education. The continued support, encouragement, and love that I have received from you both has made my life so much more fulfilling. I couldn't have done it without you. I am lucky to have been blessed with such wonderful parents and I thank you with all my heart.

Karen and Scott
Thanks to you and your families for much support and love. I hope you will be able to visit me in Florida next year.

Jen, Becky, Kelley, and Rob
What would PCOM have been without friends like you? I have so many wonderful memories from the past four years - like chicken wings and pocket mask! Good friends are hard to find. I am truly lucky. Best of luck to everyone!

Jes
You are my best friend. Thanks for your love, patience, and all the fantastic fishing trips in the Gulf! I love you.



Jennifer A. Pacek, D.O.

MARICAR SIBAYAN PACQUING, D.O.

University of Rochester, B.A.
Newburgh, New York

"In your eyes, the resolution of all the fruitless searches.....
I want to touch the light, the heat, I see in your eyes."
Peter Gabriel

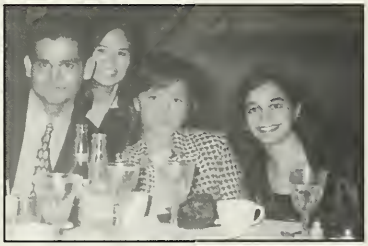
Mom and Dad,
Thank you for making my dreams come true. I could not have done it without your love and support. I love you both very much!

J.P. and James,
Remember these two things Dad told me that have helped me gain success. "Don't ever give up," and "Don't cram!" I'm very proud of you guys!

Matty, my best friend and soulmate,
Thank you for making my life complete. You are the light at the end of the tunnel. And thank you for being there for me these nine years. I truly love you!

Lola,
I love you. Your energy, strength and joy of life are inspirational!

To all my friends,
We're finally done! It was a long and difficult road but we had lots of fun and great memories. Good Luck and Keep in Touch!



Maricar Pacquing, D.O.

KARTIK PATEL, D.O.

University of Scranton, B.S.
Larksville, Pennsylvania

"Nature has no favorites."
Unknown

DIDI: Without your guidance and support this day wouldn't be possible. You have always been there for me during the difficult times. Being able to call upon you when I needed you has made all the difference. I am truly blessed to have such a loving and caring sister.

MOM: This degree is part of our dream. You can relax and enjoy the rest of your life. Thank you for your constant love, support, understanding and encouragement. Words cannot express the gratitude I have for all of the sacrifices that you have made. I love you!

ALL MY SISTERS: We are blessed to have such a close and loving family. This degree belongs not only to me, but to my family whose love and support made this day possible.

TO RONIL, RAHUL, JAY & DILLAN: Mama is going to be a Doc! I look forward to the many good times we will have in the future.

TO MY FRIENDS: Thanks for sharing the good times these past four years. I couldn't have asked for a better bunch of friends. I wish you all the best.

THIS PAGE IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF RATILAL C. PATEL. Dad, I did it. Wish you were here to celebrate this happy occasion. You were the best dad anyone could have. We miss you greatly.

Kartik Patel D.O.

NAEHAL PATEL, D.O.

St. Joseph's University, B.S.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

"I expect to pass through this world but once, any good that I can do, or any kindness or abilities that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

William Penn

MOM & DAD: Without your love and encouragement, this day would not be a reality. You taught me that anything is possible with hard work and dedication. I love you both.

HIRAL, BIJ, & BHAV: We've had our times, but when we look back we can still laugh about it. Hiral, hang in – the next two years are much more enjoyable.

VANESSA: Through the last four years, you have been a true friend. We had many good times and shared the laughter and the tears. Thanks for keeping me sane. I wish you all the happiness.

CHARLIE: Well I can't believe four years have come and gone. Thanks for everything. You been a great friend and listener. I'll miss you. You hea' me!

TIM: Words just aren't enough. You bring out the best in me, and I can't begin to thank you for all the wonderful things you do. Here's to many more!! ILYA!

Naehal Patel, D.O.

EDWARD KNIGHT PAVILLARD, D.O.

Ursinus College, B.S.
Berwyn, Pennsylvania

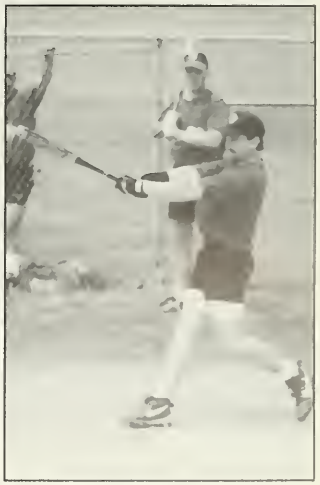
"Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, to all the souls you can, in every place you can, with all the zeal you can, as long as ever you can."
John Wesley

To all of my family and friends: I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of the help and support along the way. Special appreciation goes out to Nise, Nutd, Penny, Ma, the Revere Road residents, and last but not least my back-row colleagues.

To those who were not able to see me reach this dream: How I wish I could turn back the clocks. Know that you have been, and will continue to be, in my thoughts always.

To my classmates: Fair winds and following seas. I wish you all of the best and leave you with one parting thought…those people in the lab at 3:00a.m. just may know what they are doing.

And now, as usual, I have to go to work.



Edward Knight Pavillard, D.O.

ANNEMARIE POLECK, D.O.

University of Michigan, B.S.
Farmington, Michigan

"...toss your coins in the fountain, look for the clovers in the grassy lawns, search for shooting stars in the night, cross your fingers and dream on"
Tracy Chapman

Mom & Dad: Thank you for wonderful life...so much of who I am is because of you. Thank you for your endless love, support and encouragement. I love you both so much.

Dad: I hope that I can be half the physician you are, you inspire me.

Rich: I cannot imagine life without you. Thank you for all of your love and support...for all the little things you do...and most of all, for making me laugh. I love you.

Jack: You have brought a love and joy to my life that is unimaginable. Your smiles, hugs, and kisses make all the day's worries disappear.

To my family: I love you all so much. Thank you for always being there when I needed you.

Robin: You sent me a card recently, and it said, "...when I really need someone I can count on, you are the first person to come to mind, the first person I call, and the last person to leave my side." I couldn't have said it better. You truly are a great friend...I love you.

To my friends: These are the friendships I will treasure most in my life. I wish you much happiness.

Annemarie Poleck, D.O.

Whitney Eileen Pollock, D.O.

Vanderbilt University, B.A.
Ormond Beach, Florida

"Anyone can be a good doctor. It takes talent to be an excellent physician."
Daniel L. Wisely, D.O.

Jeffrey: You are my other half, my love, and now my husband. You know me better than I know myself. Your love, patience and understanding mean everything to me. Thank you for being my best friend.

Mommy: You are so special to me. Without your unconditional love and strength I could not have done any of this without you. Thank you!

Daddy: Thank you for all of your love, support and guidance during my medical training and throughout my life.

Jamie and Stephanie: I never knew little sisters could be so much fun. Thank you for all of our late night conversations, for stealing my clothes, and for never giving me my phone messages. But truly, you have both grown into beautiful young women and I'm so proud of you.

Bradey: You have become a sensitive, compassionate, wonderful young man. You will always be my favorite baby brother.

Poppa: I miss you so much, but I know you are with me. Please watch over me and keep me safe. I love you.

Whitney E. Pollock, D.O.

Christopher Andrew Pomrink, D.O.

LaSalle University, B.A.
Ardsley, Pennsylvania

To my Parents:
Your encouragement and support throughout the years has been unending. I love you both.
Dad: You are the most intelligent person I know. It is through your passion for knowledge that I have learned the importance of an education. You have taught me about dedication, determination & honesty which have made me the success I am today. Your advice throughout the years has been priceless, even through the difficult times you never let me quit or settle for second best. For this I am truly thankful.
Mom: You always took the time to ask me about what was going on in my life. I never needed to look for encouragement. Your unending questions about school and medicine meant a lot. Thank you for always being there to talk to but more importantly for instilling such high morals & values in me which have helped guide, influence and direct me on my path in medicine.
John, Senu, Shawn and fellow PCOM friends: At last! After 4 years of hard work our day has finally come. We had many good times together which I will never forget. We have gone through so much together-from getting into PCOM, through numerous exams, boards, and don't forget the parties. Along the way I have met great people and made some good friends. I wish nothing but the best for you guys and know you will all make excellent physicians in the future.
Pam: Since the moment you stepped into my life I knew we would be together forever. We have shared many good times together and have many still to come. When I'm with you I am truly happy. I feel blessed to be spending my life with such a kind, caring, loving person. You are so wonderful. Your energy inspires me and your motivation in life will enable you to succeed in everything you do. You are my best friend. I love you!
Family/Friends: I am so grateful for all the other wonderful people in my life who have helped to make this dream a reality. Thank you for all your confidence and support these last few years. It has meant so much to me.

Christopher A. Pomrink D.O.

VERNICKA DASHAWN PORTER, D.O.

Yuskegee University, B.S.
Houston, Texas

"Wisdom is greater than knowledge for wisdom includes knowledge and the due use of it."
Joseph Sevelli Capponi

Much praise to the almighty God for guiding and supporting me through these four years.

To my family (**Bigmama and Mom** especially): I am truly grateful for your encouragement, love, and guidance. I hope I have made you proud. After all these years of talking about being a doctor, here I am!

Michael, I have been blessed to have you in my life. You came along at the right time and have been by my side ever since, for that I am sincerely grateful. I LOVE YOU and am looking forward to starting our life together.

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To Javar (my godson): I love you boo! With yo' cute self!

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"You must never, ever quit."
Jimmy Valvano

Mom and **Dad**: What can I possibly say? God has blessed me with two of the most caring and understanding parents. You have been constantly there for me in this ever changing time. I love you both so much.

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Grandpop: I know you are watching . . . this one is for you!

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Sean: You define true friendship.

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"He who wishes to secure the good of others has already secured his own."
Confucius

Thank you to all the people I love and who are always there for me:

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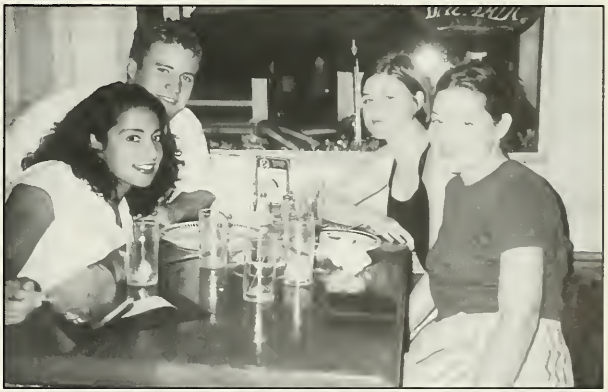
"The victories of character are instant, and victories to all."
Ralph Waldo Emerson

As I graduate from medical school and earn my doctorate in osteopathy, I want to express my utmost gratitude to my loving parents. It is their constant support, reassurance, and nurturing that has fostered my personal integrity and enabled me to flourish into who I am today. I have been privileged to have two compassionate and dedicated physicians as my perpetual role models. They have been my spirit, my aspiration and my glory in success. I am also quite fortunate to share such a special, unified bond with my brother and sister. They have given me endless smiles and cheer when I needed uplifted, words of wisdom in times of distress, and most importantly, cherished memories, which I shall forever hold treasured in my heart. They have been there through it all; they exemplify the true meaning of family to me. Seth has enchanted me with his natural charm, unconditional love, and alluring, charisma for life. Together we have conquered medical school, yet still managed to journey to far away lands and enjoy each day to the fullest. Soon we will commence our married life together as one. I know we will turn our dreams into beautiful realities.



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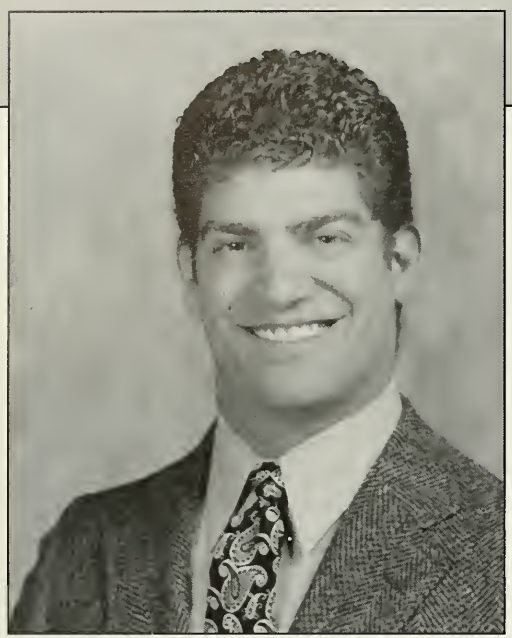
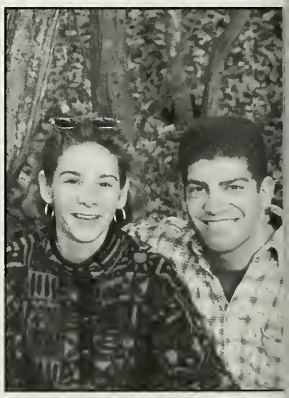
When a man goes through (four) years' training to be a doctor he will never be the same. He knows too much.

Enid Bagnold





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Let your light so shine that the world will know you are an osteopathic physician, pure and simple, and that no greater title can follow a human name.
Andrew Taylor Still

Brad...
You are the best friend and best family that I have ever known. Thank you for always being my rock — I know that I can always count on you. I have never been happier than I am with you; and although I can not imagine that it is possible to be any happier than we are now, I hope that these are the least happy days of the rest of our lives! We have so much to look forward to... I love you.

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"I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you"
Psalms 32:28

A Prayer- Dear God, I know that you are the healer of all things. Thank you for blessing me with this opportunity and for your eternal presence in my life. May I serve you to the best of my ability.

Mom and Dad- I am so blessed to have you two for parents. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your support, love, and for always believing in me.

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"What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us."
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Mom, Dad, Scott, and Randy: I finally made it! Thank you for being the best family ever, for all of your support, for believing in me(even when I didn't), for always being there for me, but most of all for making me laugh. I couldn't have done it without your hugs, teases, scares(DAD!), and the most entertaining dinner conversations that I've ever participated in! As proud as you are of me, always remember that I am just as proud of all of you. I love you guys!

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Life is too short to take anyone too seriously.He who laughs, lasts.

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Every man I meet is in some way my superior, and I can learn of him."
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Throughout my journey, many have molded me into the disciple, husband, son, brother and doctor I have become. My name will hold the title, but many have contributed to my success.

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Strike another match, go start anew. And it's all over now, Baby Blue.

Bob Dylan

Mara: Who would have thought that in a one year period my two most important lifelong goals would be fulfilled. I married the woman of my dreams and I became a physician. What more can a guy ask for? Thank you for everything and especially for putting up with me throughout the past four years (and the many years to come). I love you.

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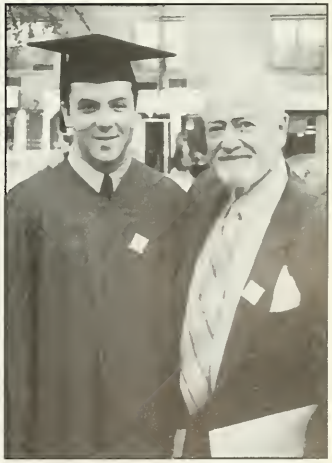

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"Laughter is the best medicine.."

I would like to dedicate this page to my family who has helped and encouraged me through every step of my education, as well as my life.

To my parents, I really owe this all to you for the selfless love that you have shown me.

To my grandparents, thank you very much for your love and support throughout the years.

To my friends, thanks for all of the laughs and good times we have had so far.

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The last four years have been an amazing time of growth and maturity. I have tried to take from this experience the wisdom and knowledge to prepare me for the mysterious world of medicine as well as the general journey through life. This stepping stone is firm as I leap from it.

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To cure sometimes, to relieve often, to comfort always.
Anon

To Mom and Dad: How can I ever thank you for all that you have done. Without your love, support, and guidance the dream of becoming a physician could have never come true. A son could have not been blessed with two more caring, loving, and understanding parents as myself. Thank you for all the sacrifices you have made in your lives so that mine could be so rich. I love you both .

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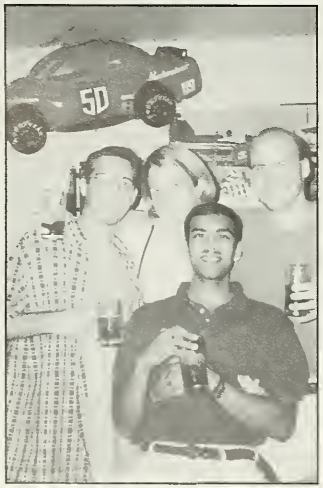

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"Let love and faithfulness never leave you;...Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man." Proverbs3:3,4

To God
I would like to take time to praise God for not only the opportunities He has bestowed upon me, but also for giving me and my family the many blessings I have received throughout my lifetime. For without Him I am nothing. I also ask God to lead my classmates and I to do His will.

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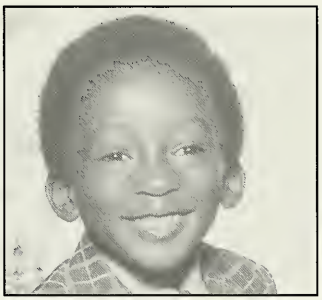

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The most beautiful experience we can have is the mysterious. It is the fundamental emotion which stands at the cradle of true art and true science. Albert Einstein, *The World As I See It*

Mom: For all the sacrifices you've made, for all the encouraging words you've said and for all the love you've given, thank you.
Dad: Thank you for always believing in me.
Grandmom Lee: You are an extraordinary woman. Thank you for the strength you have given me.
Jennifer: My beautiful baby sister, you are and always will be my best friend. Thank you for your love.
Michael, Chris, Erica & Lauren: I look forward to growing closer to my "new" family.
John: Thank you for being there even when it was difficult. Ti amo molto.
Maria S: My other "sister," thank you for being you.
David: Kerouac, thank you for your smiles....you realize we're on the road again....by the way, what's at the Ritz?
Maria H: My MPH sis, follow the General Wolf Rules for Life and choose the least annoying.....
Eric: Thank you for sharing your wisdom and all of your unsolicited advice.
Zanshin: My loyal companion and foot warmer, you are the best dog in the world!

To the rest of my family, especially Grandmom Jeanette, Aunt Sarah, Aunt Maryann, Aunt Ersilia, Mary, Gabrielle and all of the neighbors from Wilder Street, thank you for your support and encouragement over the years.

I dedicate my degree to the memory of Richard M. Papa, D.O., an exemplary osteopathic physician and an extraordinary human being.

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Happy is he who has been able to learn the cause of things.

Virgil (*Georgics, 36-29 B.C.*)

First, I have to thank God for always being with me, even in those times that I thought I could not go on.

Mom and Dad: You have always been behind me 100%!!! It is only through your ever-present support and love that I was ever able to achieve this goal. You were there when it was tough and you were there when it was good. You have always taught me strength of character, and to respect myself. Thank you for raising Dory and I with a strong Lebanese heritage. I love you very much!!!! THIS IS FOR YOU!

Dory: Well, Mr. Lawyer!!!! Congratulations on your Graduation (a week before me)! I love you very, very much, and I hope that we will be able to continue until we are old and grey having a super relationship as brother and sister. **I am so very proud of you!!!!**

My Family: You guys are wonderful! I hope that no matter what, and through whatever difficulties we may encounter, we will NEVER forget how much we all mean to each other.....and that bottom line **we are family!**

To My Grandparents: When I walk on that stage, you will all be with me, SMILING!
Ana behebkoon kteer!!!!

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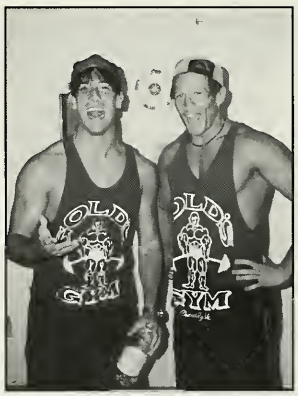
To succeed.....You need to find something to hold on to, something to motivate you, something to inspire you.
Tony Dorsett- Dallas Cowboys #33

Congratulations , Class of '99. Thanks to everyone who has added to this awesome experience, and a special thanks to my family and friends. Here's some memorable moments that won't be forgotten:
Laurette- Thanks for being there for me. You're a great sister and a great friend. Walmart- plunger & deodorant trip, All-star Café- Miami Beach, mustard, and of course Oct. 1997.??*#!%$#
Chris White- You the man...South beach, the Grove, Neon....Chick magnet, to the beach with the football, All-star Café- Have you ever done this before??? Don't worry about it!! Did you leave the fridge open??
Cairone- How is this for saying something intelligent: "There is a fine line between fishing & just standing on the shore like an idiot.", That's a good question Eddie??
Elf & John- new world...I'm the Scatman...Bee-Bop, bop,bodop bop...Pat's, Bob's, Ralph's, Gumby???
Josh- NYC- wooooooohhhhhhhhhhahahaha...capunatttt!!!, Essa Bagel, shoe shopping, Is that EEEnouffff???
And by the way, who said medical school isn't a perfect time to travel: Miami; Colorado Springs; NYC; Chicago; Killington; D.C.; Pittsburgh; St. John; St. Thomas; Columbus, OH; Jersey Shore; Erie, PA; Breckenridge; Ocean City, MD; West Virginia; Europe; Outerbanks, NC; Atlantic City; Cancun; California; Europe.....



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Consider it pure joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. James 1: 2,3

To Almighty God: I give praise and thanks to you oh Lord, for sustaining and carrying me and my family throughout these years; both now and days to come.

To Chan, my best friend and confidant: thanks dear for hanging in there and giving me much needed emotional support and words of encouragement. Thanks for being there to come home to, for being patient, for being you. Thank you for being a wonderful mother to our boy. I look forward to what God has planned for this family. I love you.

To my buddy-boy Caleb: your mother and I have been so blessed by your arrival. You bring us so much joy. We look forward to the day that you will be the big brother. Be good.

To Mom and Dad: thanks guys for supporting us through thick and thin. Thanks for your giving spirit. We couldn't have done it without you. Who could ask for two more wonderful folks.

To Craig: thanks for being my consistent and steadfast friend throughout the years. We've come a long way since grade school. Thanks for believing I could make it.

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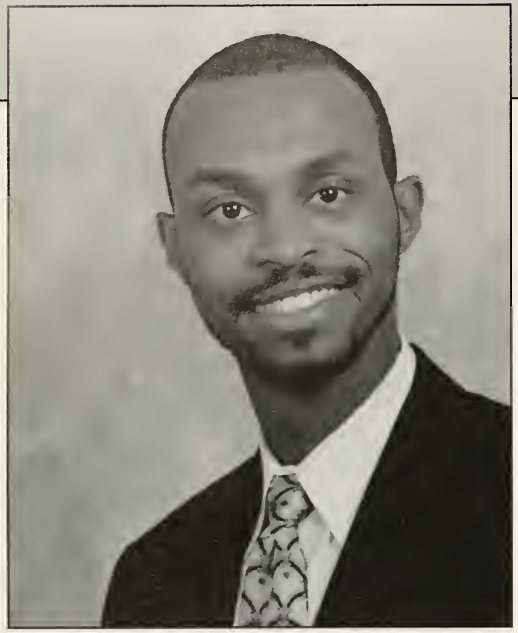

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What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.
Emerson

I would like to begin by giving thanks to **my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ** for making it possible for me to achieve my goals. "You have never let me down!"
My two oldest friends (**Mom and Dad**): WE DID IT! I am truly lucky to have been blessed with two caring parents who encouraged me every step of the way! I'll be home soon.
Reggie: Good luck with your baseball career. Don't forget, I'm still your BIG BRUH- BRUH.
Grandma: Thanks! Your little notes and calls always made my day!
Jackie P: Thanks for helping me keep my sanity. You always know how to make me laugh!
My Family: Thanks for keeping my nose clean and encouraging me to succeed. Now we have a doc in the house!
Spencer: Thanks for lending me your ear. I hope I didn't talk it off.
Greg & Allen: Thanks for watching my back in New Orleans. The three amigos will ride again!
Raj: You know you wrong for that! See you in the future my good friend.
Arthur: Do well my Southern Brother. You know where to find me.
TH, RB, SC, KC: You ladies made the past four years enjoyable. Love you always!

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"To have striven, To have made an effort, To have been true to certain ideals — This alone is worth the struggle."
Sir William Osler

MOM & DAD: How can a son express his thanks for a lifetime? There is not enough paper to demonstrate my gratitude and thanks. Your unconditional love and sacrifices have given me the strength, courage and wisdom to reach my goals. You taught me to believe in my abilities and myself. Without you, the words DR. SESSO would not have come to fruition. I LOVE YOU!

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JEN: Your love, compassion and understanding have made a difficult journey easier. You have helped me to negotiate the good and bad days of medical school. Thank you for your patience since this journey began in college. The best is still to come. I LOVE YOU!

FAMILY & FRIENDS: So many people and so little space to express thanks to a lifetime of people who have shaped my life. All I can say is that my success is a reflection upon you.

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once-in-a-while, you could miss it."
—Ferris Bueller

"The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will."
—Vince Lombardi

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I praise you father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the eyes of the wise and learned and revealed them to little children. Jesus Christ

First, thank you Lord Jesus for choosing to forgive me, love me, and bless me despite my short comings and failures. I cannot fathom your love, mercy, and faithfulness.

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The training continues.

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"It's not so bad if you don't think of it as pizza, she said. Just think of it as another one of Mom's scary hot dishes."
Brian Andreas

The words of others are whispers on a breeze.
The portraits they paint, the words they sing, none original yet all anxiously waiting to be plagiarized. The moral here is that you must be careful what you pretend to be because in the end you are what you pretend to be.
I can reflect on myself, see what I've done, change what I don't like, accept what's good and move on. I don't have to etch my youth in stone and abide by all that I have been. Instead, I look ahead and consider that chance favors the prepared mind - and so, I must thank God for my abilities and my talents; thank God for my family and friends, the gift of love and the joy of life.

, D.O.

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"Persevere in patience and constancy; Exert yourself in such perseverance; Strengthen each other; Observe your duty to God; That you may prosper."

Surat Al Imran: 200

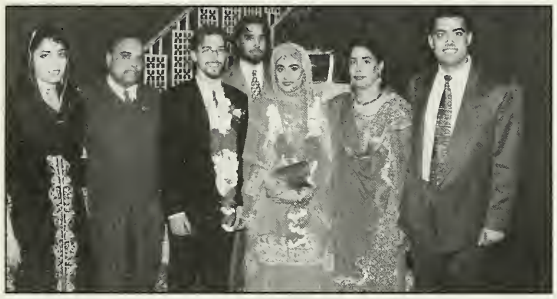
Ummi Jaan and Abu Jaan: I love you very much and I am so thankful and feel so blessed to have you. I cannot think of a way to express my gratitude and love for all that you have done and do, for all that you have said and say and for all that you have felt and feel.

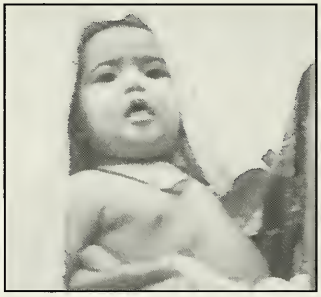
"My Lord bestow on them Your mercy as they cherished me in childhood"

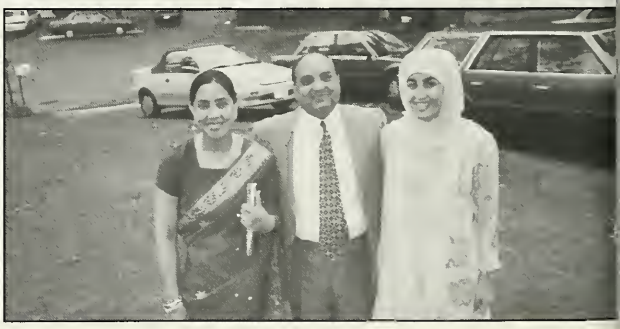
Surat Al Isra: 24

Aatif and Aamir: Know that I care for and love you guys deeply. I hope that we can always be there for each other.

Ahmed: Our journey together continues as we begin a new period in our lives. We've learned so much and realized how much more there is to know. I pray that our journey is successful and one that leads to Jannah and that we are strong through trials. Remember that Isle Of View. Your support and love are a blessing.







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"Everything is mental...If it was easy everybody would be doing it."
Richard W. Shoulberg

KAREN: Your love is overwhelming. I hope the love I return to you is as abundant, cherished and needed as yours is to me. Life is better with you. Nat, I love you. "You're the Best!"

MOM & DAD: You have made so many sacrifices that will never be repaid. I hope I have made you proud and hope that is repayment enough. Thank you. I love you very much.

TOM & CARI: I could not ask for better friends. You keep me sane and give me life outside of medicine. They say you can judge a man by his friends. . . I have nothing to fear.

MOM & DAD GAG: You have accepted me as your own. Thank you for the constant encouragement, love and support. I love you.

FAMILY & FRIENDS: The thoughts, prayers, words of encouragement and acts of support have been more than one person deserves. Thank you, I needed every one.

CLASSMATES: If I may remind you of the charge we received on Day One
"Be a Mensh" — Dr. Fliegelman

Your faith has healed you. Go in peace." Luke 8: 48

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"To get wisdom is to love oneself; to keep understanding is to prosper."
Proverbs 19.8

This page is dedicated to those people who have helped make my dream come true.

Mom: Your unconditional support and encouragement make even the hardest times seem easy!

Vicki: Your understanding throughout this journey is unreal. Having you to support me and being there for Joshua, puts my mind at ease, and allows me to concentrate. I owe you big. I love you.

Joshua: You make it all worthwhile. You are the best thing that has ever happened to me. Our relationship is my foundation. Thanks for being you!! I look forward the good times ahead.

My Brothers and Sister: Thanks for being there when I needed you. Having your support means so much to me.

Dr. Lesseski: My mentor and friend. You have taught me so much about medicine and life. I strive to be half the physician you are.

To all the others I have neglected to mention, I am very lucky to have such a strong support system.

Thanks!!!!

Paul Shields, D.O.

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Praise God! - I got accepted into medical school, did very well, and am now graduating.

To my parents - I could not have done it without you. Thank you for all your encouragement and support. It was nice to come home to two very sympathetic people every day.

To my family - Thank you for your excitement and being there for me.

To Melmark - All of you gave such continual support. It was nice to know you were all cheering for me.

To Taylor University - Thank you for preparing me so well, not just in the sciences but how to treat people.

To my husband - You have brought fun and joy into my life. You have willingly, perhaps unknowingly become a part of this journey. I look forward to many years of happiness with you by my side.

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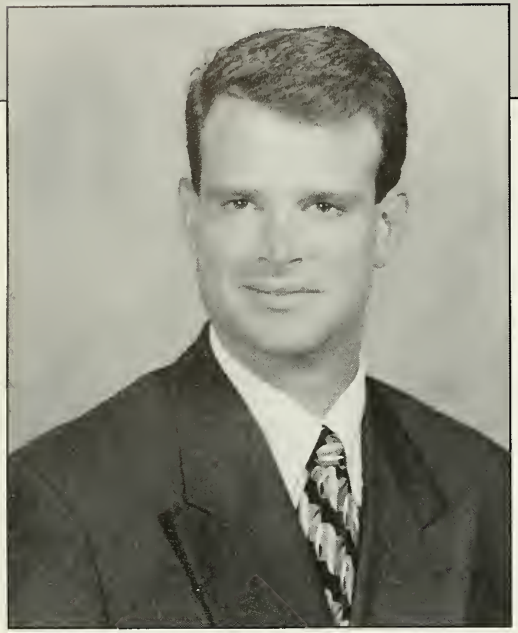

Mom, Dad, and Heather I could not have done it without support from my family. Thank you for the encouragement and inspiration to follow my lifelong ambition. I love you more than I can express. Mom-thank you for doing all the "little things" that mean so much to my success. Dad-thank you for putting me on the correct path through discipline and sacrifice. Heather-thank you for being there when I needed you most.

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The BEST for last-Stefanie You are my soul mate, my one and only. I know it has not been easy over the years, but you have continued to support me through my most difficult times. I am ecstatic that the rest of my life will be spent with you. Together we can make anything happen. June 6, 1999 will be second only to May 16, 1999, our wedding day, the day that my life begins its quest to completeness. When I am on call "Think of me, and I'll be there." I LOVE YOU!

Shawn T. Simpson, D.O.

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"Never go against the family"

Michael Corleone—The Godfather

To Mom and Dad: I am truly grateful for all of the love and support you have always given me. I know that you must be very proud of my accomplishment, but I want you both to know how equally proud I am to have such loving parents. You have taught me the importance of family and the strength that it brings. I love you both.

To Lucille and Joe: I consider myself very lucky to have both a little sister and an older brother. I am equally fortunate that we all are so close and can approach each other with anything. You both mean very much to me.

To Zachary, my godson: Although you are still too young to even read this, you have already made a great impact on my life. I love you dearly and I promise to always be there for you. Love, Uncle John.

To All of My Family: You are each an important part of my life and who I am today. Thank you for all of the love, the laughs, and especially the great food.

To Brian and Bill: Thanks for being a great escape from medical school and making four years much more fun. Thanks to you guys, I got to travel more during medical school than I did my whole life.

To Tony and Angelo: Well we made it guys! Thanks for being such a great support system and also for being such good friends. Thank you also for welcoming an Italian into the Greek community and making Greek my second language!

John B. Sireci, D.O.

CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL SMITH, D.O.

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Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude...

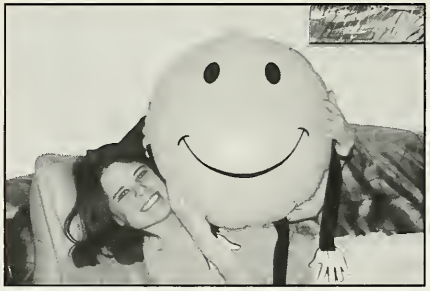
1 Corinthians 13: 4-7

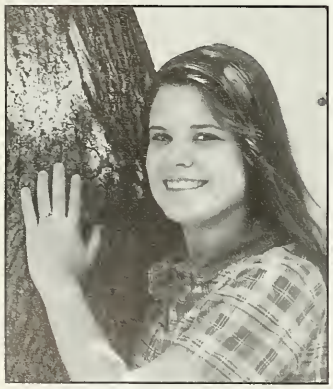
Mom and Dad: I would not have gotten this far without your constant love and support. You have been there through all the good and bad times and your advice and loving support will never be forgotten. You are the best parents a son could ask for and I love you both very much. Thank you for everything.

Brian: I'd like to thank you for allowing me to be smug while at the same time being the role model that inspired me to succeed. You are one of the main reasons I am where I am today. I couldn't have asked for a better brother to grow up with. I love you.

Susan: Thank you for the much-needed advice when I needed it the most. I'm grateful you are now a part of our family. Thank you. I love you.

Donna: My best friend, my soul mate, my true love. Donna, you are my greatest gift. Your smile, your laugh, and your never-ending love have made these past few years extraordinary. A lifetime with you will not be enough. You have made me realize the true meaning of unconditional love. I can't wait until our wedding day. ***I LOVE YOU***.





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Gregory Scott Smith, D.O.

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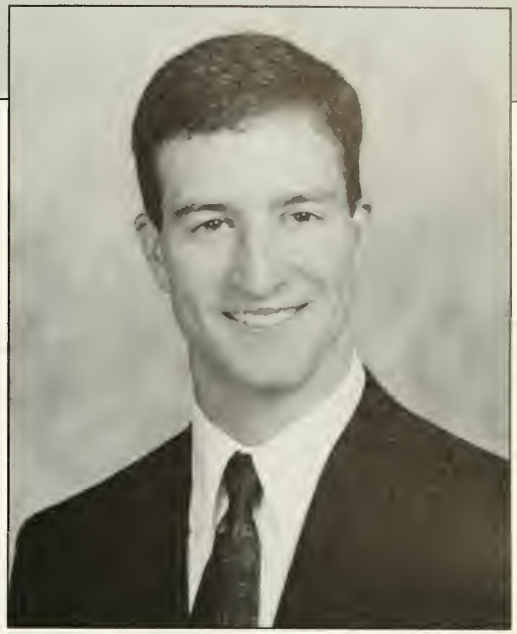
The ideals which have lighted my way, and time after time have given me ew courage to face life cheerfully have been kindness, beauty, and truth"
Albert Einstein



To My Family: Thanks to my entire family for support, encouragement, humor and caring.

Mom: You've always been a symbol of high moral character and of a diligent work ethic. Throughout all of my success and absent minded professorism you've always encouraged me to look ahead and to be self reliant; yet you've always been merely a step behind when I needed you. Sorry for all the gray hairs.

Dad: Silently you're part of this by being part of me in my pensiveness, calmness and caring. I think you'd be proud.

Ed: Thanks big brother for your insistent challenges when we were young, for leading the way (like going bald first) and for being a role model.

Alyssa: Little sister, thanks for being there with a smile and for believing in me.

To My Friends: Here's to the best friends in the world. You've made my life interesting and fun. I might be here but I wouldn't be the same person without you all.

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Life's truest happiness is found in the friendships we make along the way.
Unknown Author

Mom - Thank you for giving me the courage to do what I had deemed impossible by continuing to believe in me. Basically, thanks for continuing to be my mom and becoming my friend whenever I needed you. I love you.

Dad- Thank you for giving me the encouragement and drive to become myself and for respecting all of my decisions. Don't worry, I'll try to stay out of trouble. I love you.

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Unless someone like you care a whole awful lot,
Nothing is going to get better. Its not.
Dr. Seuss

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"Show me an intern that only triples my work and I will kiss his feet"
The Fat Man in "The House of God"

Well, I did it Dad—**D.O.!!!!!**

To my Parents and Grandparents: Thank you for all of the love and support you have given me over the years. Thank you for all of the advice, guidance and spirit you provided to help me along this path. I hope that I can somehow begin to repay you, and I hope that I can make you as proud of me as I am of you. I love you very much.

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To Sadie and Sam: Not a day goes by that I don't think of you. I miss you more than words can begin to say. I know that you are watching over me and I hope I will make you proud.

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To all of my friends that have gone through this with me,
Let's go save some lives, Doctors!

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Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans.
John Lennon

Although it's been said many times, many ways thanks for the memories: Kelley, for pinching Albino Phil's butt; Pacek, for dancing for us; Stairs, buzz - enough said; Matt and his I'm so... cold dance; Big Dog, for being so darn cute; Rob and his pinch of mustard; Jill, from BU and beyond; Pam, for showing me how bad my first impressions are and making it higher; my sparring partner Tomich for his wine tasting tips and my best friend Jen who laughs at my jokes, for the song game and for eating ice pops with me on the veranda until 4am.

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"There is nothing like a dream to create the future."
Victor Hugo

Mom and Dad: Words cannot express how much your love, support and encouragement have meant to me throughout the years. Your unwavering belief in me has helped me survive the demands of medical school. You have given me so much. Your sacrifices and hard work have provided me with so many opportunities! Thank you for being my sounding board and keeping me grounded. Thank you for instilling in me kindness and compassion for others. *I love you both so much!* I hope I can make you proud.

By the way, I know I still owe you that shore house!

Grandmom: Thank you for being a great grandmother and spoiling me when I need it the most!

John: What can I say to you? You're a great little brother! Thanks for the comic relief!

My Family: Thank you for your love, support and encouragement during the past four years.

My Friends: Thanks for sticking with me through all of this, keeping me sane and making the last four years a lot more fun!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1999!

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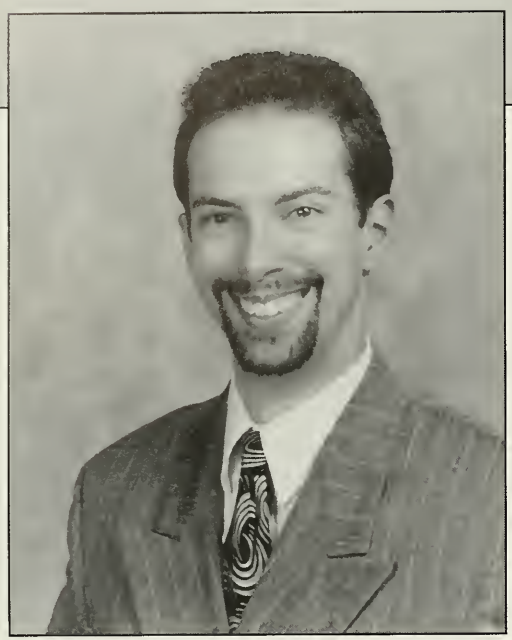

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"I guess you are all wondering why I called this meeting here today."

Snake

I just want to mention the people who have meant the most to me in my quest: **Thank you Mom and Dad;** Killer and Boss; Yellin' Helen and Emiloui; Dr. Janelli; Crusher Mike Flood; The Great Bando Master Mike Wasson; Gooshy and Snake, but mostly Gooshy; Osh-Josh-B'gosh and Amanda Hugginkiss; **My Dad**; Matt and Debbie and their brood; Carl Sagan; Mike "The Man" Pilla, and for that matter Robert Hazard and the Heroes; Nickola Tesla; My Uncle Rick Kriebel and My Uncle Pat Coughlin; my other Uncle Randal R. Betz; Batman, Superman; Sarah Conner, Sister Kristen, and the other Amanda Hugginkiss; **Did I mention my Dad?;** Dr. Maung Guy; My Big Brother Sal and My Favorite Sister Reg; Dr. Robert Anthony; The Employees at Harley-Davidson Past, Present and Future; Rob Monokian and Kathy Buamgardner for making my back all better; Jim and Beth; and a Special thanks to my Grand Mom.

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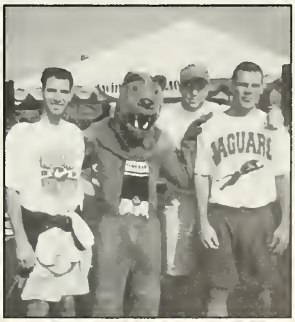
"You are never as good as you think you are when you win, and you are never as bad as you think you are when you lose."
Joe Paterno



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"Many have discovered helping others to be the most enduring therapy, for it's the burdens you help another to bear that make your own seem light."
Dr. Albert Schweitz

"Obstacles are what we see when we take our eyes off our goals."
- Howard Hendricks

Unfortunately I have had a lot of obstacles that I've had to overcome in my life to be where I am today - and through all of them I can only thank one person, my best-friend, my confidant, my mother, **Darlene J. Thomas**. The biggest influence my mother has had, is to inspire the will to survive in me, which so many people take for granted. You truly are the wind beneath my wings and with you in my life, I know I can accomplish any goal!!! Thank-you - I love you so much!

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Pam Boyer: Paybacks are coming! Thanks for Jagr and all the times you've been there for me! I'm so excited about Africa - it's going to be a blast!!! (he, he, he)

Wendy: Why did the baby cross the road? I wish you the best of luck!

Roomy: I'm so proud of you for all your dedication and accomplishments thus far. You are going to be a successful physician! "You go girl!" Thank-you for being there for me!

Class of 1999: *"So make the best of this test, and don't ask why. It's not a question, but a lesson learned in time. It's something unpredictable, but in the end is right. I hope you had the time of your life..."* - Green Day

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"Dont let school get in the way of your education."

-Mark Twain

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"Live Well, Laugh Often, Love Much"
– Anonymous

MOM & DAD: Everything that I have accomplished in my life is because you both hav always given me your full support. You have been there with me through the good times an the tough times – your love and encouragement never waivered. I have truly appreciated a the sacrifices that you have made for me over the years, and thank you for making all m dreams come true! I love you.

CHRISTOPHER: You are a great "not so little" brother – thanks for being there for me, an good luck in your future! Love you!

OMA & OPA: Vielen Dank fur Alles dass Ihr mich gegeben haben. Ohne Euch hatte Ich das auch nicht geschaft. Deutschland uber Alles! Ich liebe Euch!

MICHAEL: Mein Schatze! I am so fortunate to have found such a wonderful person! Th memories that we have made and the ones that we have yet to share I am very thankful fo Ich liebe dich!

DEANNA: Well girlfriend, we made it! Our friendship will always be special to me, and I wi never forget these last four crazy years. I wish you the best in your professional and persona endeavors, and I look forward to sharing our new experiences in the future. Love ya!

PCOM FRIENDS: Thanks for the wild and lasting memories, the encouragement, and th laughs along the way. I sincerely wish all of you the best of luck ! Congratulations we did it

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"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams"
Eleanor Roosevelt

Mark, thank you for allowing me to introduce chaos into our comfortable lives and your willingness to come to know the Pennsylvania Turnpike better than you ever wanted. Your selflessness and support means everything to me.

Jodie L. Strauss, D.O.

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"Dance as if nobody is watching and love like it is never going to hurt."

Anonymous

Mom and Dad - Thank you so much for your love and support throughout my entir life! You have always been there for me to celebrate the victories or help pick u the pieces after I fall. I hope that I can continue to make you proud because I an truly proud of both of you - I'm your biggest fan!

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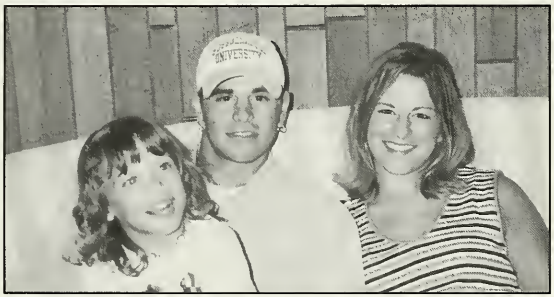
My Friends - Oh the memories - wings at Rob's, California, the summer we di nothing, "Nobody told me we weren't drinking today", Hilton Head, Arena's bowling, Baltimore, PCOM proms, Laporte, ...you are the best!



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"WHAT - ME WORRY?"
Alfred E. Newman

Remember when you were young, you shone like the sun.
Now there's a look in your eyes, like black holes in the sky.
You were caught on the crossfire of childhood and stardom, blown on the steel breeze.
Come on you target for faraway laughter, come on you stranger, you legend, you martyr, and shine!

You reached the secret too soon, you cried for the moon.
Threatened by shadows at night, and exposed in the light.
Well you were wore out your welcome with random precision, rode on the steel breeze.
Come on you raven, you seer of visions, come on you painter, you piper, you prisoner, and shine!

Nobody knows where you are, how near or how far.
Pile on many more layers and I'll be joining you there.
And we'll bask in the shadow of yesterday's triumph, and sail on the steel breeze.
Come on you boy child, you winner and loser, come on you miner for truth and delusion, and shine!

"Shine on you Crazy Diamond"
Pink Floyd

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It is slavery to live in the mind unless it has become part of the body

Kahlil Gibran

MOM and DAD: A million kind words couldn't do you justice, a lifetime of thank you would still not be enough for you both to me are much more than words can describe.
YASMINE: To my sister, thank you for your belief in me and for all our special times together.
NORA: My lifetime friend, my boobala, my sister and my guru, thank you.
JAMEEL: You can't fool me, I know you're wonderful. Thank you for all your patience and for paving the long tortuous road for me.
DAVID: To my sweet brother who I miss, your faith in me has kept my flame alive.
PAUL: Your love of life is contagious to all around you, thank you for sharing it with me. You are a ray of sunshine always in my heart.
TERRI: I wouldn't be where I am without you. Long live the TAT club and all our wonderful memories, thank you.
MEREDITH: To my lifetime sister, from infancy to childhood you've Been by my side cheering me on, thank you for being my strength.
JASON: You've given my heart love, my life laughter, and my soul a friend, thank you.
CHRIS: To my angel, it's so hard to find words to describe what you mean to me, you've given me so much and you have made me complete. I adore you and can't wait to spend all of tomorrow's together. You are my sunshine, thanks bub.

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If I could wish for my life to be perfect, it would be tempting but I would decline, for life would no longer teach me anything.
Allyson Jones

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Granny: How blessed I have been to have a nanny like you. I'll never forget all the memories you have given me since I was a little girl. I hope I can be half the grandmother to my future grandchildren that you have been to me.
George: Our love is one that comes but once in a lifetime. You are my angel sent from above. I am so appreciative of your sweet sincerity and gentleness, true companionship, constant support and devotion. You have deeply impacted my life in so many positive ways. I look so forward to walking this path together and living an incredible and fulfilling life with you, forever. You truly are my best friend, confidant, and soul mate.
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My classmates: "When you come into the edge of all the light you know, and are about to step off into the darkness of the unknown, faith is knowing one of two things will happen: There will be something solid to stand on or you will be taught how to fly." – Barbara J. Winter
God: For blessing me with both the mental and physical ability to pursue this dream. May I be a reflection and instrument of Your peace and love through my thoughts, words and by my actions in all my future encounters and endeavors.

"THE THING ALWAYS HAPPENS THAT YOU REALLY BELIEVE IN; AND THE BELIEF IN A THING MAKES IT HAPPEN." -Frank Lloyd Wright

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"May there never develop in me the notion that my education is complete, but give me the strength and leisure and zeal continually to enlarge my knowledge." Maimonides

Bhagwan - To my God, I Thank you for allowing me to become the person that I am today! I pray that you give me the strength, courage, intuition, and intelligence to become a good physician, a better son, brother, & husband, and an even better person throughout my life.

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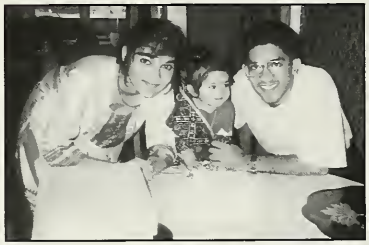

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Mom and Dad: Thank for giving me the inspiration and strength to go to medical school. Both of you have worked hard and sacrificed so much to see that I succeed and for that I am forever grateful. I will never be able to fully express my gratitude and appreciation. I love you both very much. I hope I made you proud.

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To all my friends: Thank you all for helping to make these past four years more bearable. We had some great times together, and I look forward to more memories in the future. Best of luck to all of you.

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People who are in a fortunate position always attribute virtue to what makes them so happy.
John Kenneth Galbrai

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It is in the brain, and the brain only, that the great sins of the world take place."

- Oscar Wilde

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"Isn't it all so Goddam delightful." - R. Crumb

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"It's beyond my control." – Viconte De Valmont

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"And turn not your face away from people with pride, nor walk in insolence throug the earth. Surely God does not like those who are arrogant." Holy Qur'an 31:18

In the name of God, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

To Allah for opening my eyes and my heart to the Truth. Surely there is nothing worthy of worship other than You. I bid my thanks to the following people knowing full-well that their roles in my life are only as they are because You made it so:

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> *And among His Signs is this, that He created for you spouses from among yourselves, that you may find tranquility in them, and He has placed between you affection and mercy. Verily, in that are signs for a people who reflect.*
> Holy Qur'an 30:21

To my grandmother for years of love and devotion; for raising such wonderdul children; for the Soap Opera-Cartoon Deal of '78;and for the incognito, under-the-table slippages of money with every visit. I love you dearly.

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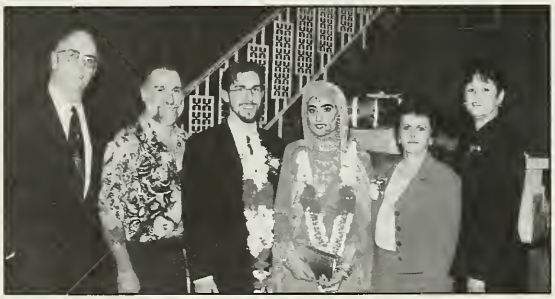

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If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. James 1:5

MY LORD IN HEAVEN: Thank you for giving me the knowledge and compassion to become a physician. In my life, I will serve you always.

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GRANDMA TRONETTI: You have another doctor in the family to watch over you gram.

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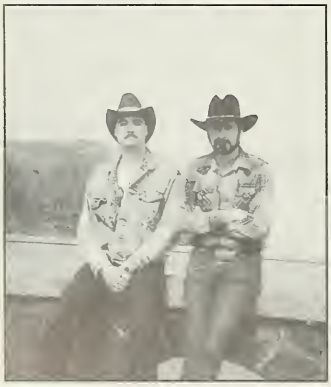

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...life is still just a tire swing, but the rope may break at any minute...be even more spontaneous...
Jimmy Buffett

Mom: Your incredible strength and unconditional love and support have been my inspiration. In this world of so few genuine hero's, I am proud to say you are mine. I consider this achievement a reflection of you. Thank you for raising me to be a strong and dedicated woman. I love you.

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"God is near unto those who have Iman (faith), taking them out of deep darkness (and) into the light." Al-Baqarah, 2:257

Patience and perseverance are the keys to success, and I thank God for teaching me this lesson. There is no substitute for hard work and at the end we will acquire what we truly have earned.

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The Best is yet to come!!! (God willing)

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"It is better to keep your mouth shut and appear stupid then to open it and remove all doubt".
Mark Twain

Laura: We did it! I mean that with all my heart. You were, and are, my biggest supporter and inspiration. When times were tough, it was you who would pull us through. You are truly a great wife and my best friend. I look forward to spending the rest of our lives together. I can't wait until January to have our dream come true. You will be an amazing mother.

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Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for today. Malcolm X.

Thanks **Mom**, for being the best role model a son could have. You showed me that age doesn't matter when it comes to getting an education, and sacrifices must be made to achieve your dreams.

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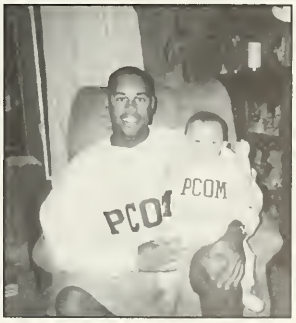
I would like to thank my **father** for allowing me to believe that I could do anything I put my mind to, and showing me how to be a good father.

"Don't measure yourself by what you have accomplished but, by what you should have accomplished with your ability." - Ben Chavis, Executive Director of NAACP



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"Winners never quit, quitters never win. There is no such thing as an overachiever, just underestimators."

Author unknown

These four years have passed so quickly. I can't thank my friends and family enough for their support. To all my friends who are graduating - I wish you the best of luck in the future.

My life would not be complete without my family. You are the reason I succeed in life and I cherish our closeness.

Mom and Dad - You have inspired and supported me to succeed throughout my life. You have given me more than I could ever imagine. I truly appreciate your kindness and generosity. I love you both dearly.

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"For what it's worth-
It was worth all the while."
— Billie Joe

Mom & Dad: You've always told me if I wanted something bad enough I would get it—well as much as I hate to admit it, you were right. Thanks for your timeless, unconditional love and support throughout my life, which has allowed me to achieve my lifelong dream of becoming a doctor. I love you both very much.

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In the middle of difficulty, lies opportunity

Albert Einstein

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A true friend is one who walks in,
when the rest of the world walks out.
- Walt Whitman

To my friends - I can only say, "Thank you and I love you". I would not have made it without you.

The love in your heart wasn't put there to stay,
because love isn't love until you give it away.
- unknown

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Learn it! Know it! Live it!

Fast Times at Ridgemont High

Healthcare, in the final analysis, is not about results. Not that one can ignore the results or that one has no responsibility to try to cure when one can, but health care is primarily about relationships of knowledge, of trust, and of care. Health care is about being there with people in their finitude and doubt, in their pain and uncertainty, respecting each one and saying that one cares, and showing by one's deeds that one really does care in all the ways that one can. Such caring does mean acting in a way that promotes the best results possible. But the results, ultimately, are really Someone Else's business.

- Daniel P Sulmasy, O.F.M., M.D. The Healer's Calling

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Grandpa: You may not be a man of many words but your life speaks volumes.
To the rest of my family: Thanks for the thoughts, love and well-wishes. It's meant much.

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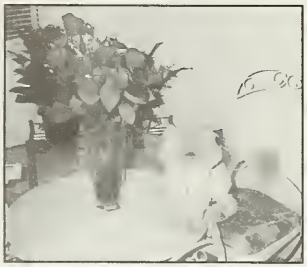
If you are lucky enough to find a way of life you love, you have to find the courage to live it.
John Irving

As graduation approaches, it is hard to believe that time has gone by so quickly. I have learned more then a few valuable lessons during this endeavor. The most meaningful lesson, was the importance of friends and family. It is a difficult task to come home and tell your wife, "Hey honey, I'm leaving my job and I'm going to go to school for the next eight years". In my case, Linda didn't bat an eye, she gave me love, support, and a couple of stiff kicks when I needed them. Without that support this would have been a very, very, long road. I also owe a large debt of gratitude to my father in law, Ralph Sundstrom, the eternal engineer. Without Ralph's guidance and tutelage this trip would have ended in my first college physics class - thanks for being there. My brothers, Pete, Sean, Chris, and Robby, were my own private fan club. Their constant boasting was a big incentive to graduate. I hope I made my mother, father, and friends proud. My unavailability and constant focus on school must have been difficult. I will do my best to make a difference in all that I do.



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"he efforts of so many intellectual minds to pursue logic in all that is humanly perienced, is actually nothing more than a display of their mortal ignorance."
Anonymous

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"For I know the plans that I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans for welfare and not for calamity, to give you a future and a hope."
Jeremiah 29:11, NAS

I offer praise first to Jesus Christ, for the life You have given me and the love You have shown me. Special thanks to my friends and family for your abundant love, prayers, and understanding.

To my loving husband, John: I wouldn't be who I am today without you by my side. You are my sunshine and my best friend, and I thank you for your patience, your laughter, and your support over the past four years.

To Mom and Dad: I was blessed to have been raised in such a loving and caring home, and I'm grateful for the endless number of opportunities you have provided for me. I love you both very much.

To Lynne and Kelley: Thank you for being my friends, and not just my sisters. I appreciate you more than you'll ever know.

To my Papa: Thank you for showing me the kind of person I want to be. I hope I've made you as proud of me as I have always been to be your granddaughter. I miss you, Freda Joe.

To the Wolfgangs: Thank you for welcoming me into your family and for trying to understand this career path I have chosen.

Jennifer S. Wolfgang, D.O.

Crystal Anne Young, D.O.

Lincoln University, B.S.
Forestville, Maryland

"...if you have a purpose in which you can believe, there's no end to the amount of things you can accomplish."
Marian Anderson

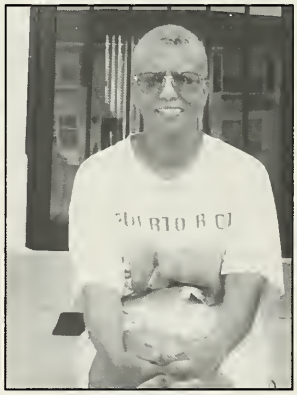
First, I would like to give thanks to God for allowing me the opportunity to achieve my goals. My faith in God has guided me through these four years with much success.

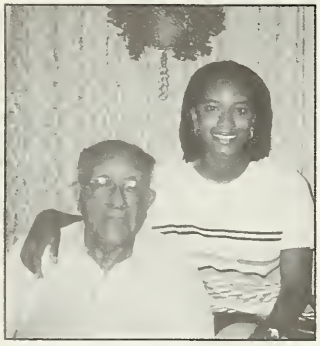
To Mommy - How can I thank you enough for all the countless times you were there for me when I needed you. Thanks for being my personal postal service for two years, you made my life so much simpler. I love you very much and truly appreciate all of the support through the years.

To Daddy - Thanks for being so supportive and patient as I moved from place to place over the past two years. Anytime I called and needed help you were always willing and able to assist me - thank you. Love Always!

To the "215" study crew - I would not have made it without you guys. I'll never forget all the fun times we shared together (those all-nighters, mountain dew & cappuccino runs, etc...) GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL. Love Ya!!!!!(S.M, R.B., V.P, D.G.)

To the rest of "the Family" - Congratulations & Good Luck in all your future endeavors





Crystal A. Young, D.O.

Has anyone else figured out that Ed Tori doesn't really scribe? He just makes up random sentences to fill up the spaces between his pictures. (Oooh, I'm in trouble!)

DEVELOPMENT OF THE CRANIAL NERDS

OBLIQUE VIEUX

HE CAR OF DAVID

KEN-RHOIDS

A COP SIGN

NEPHRO

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THEY JUST SHOWED THE SPHINCTER OF ODIE ON GARFIELD'S SHOW!

SHHHUSH KID! DON'T TELL ANYONE.

HONOLULU

KROMEO! KROMEO! WHEREFORE ART THOU KROMEO?!

LOOK MOM! LOOK! IT'S A SECRET TORI!

THE EDPIRE STRIKES BACK! (DIRECTED BY LUCAS)

WHERE'S MY LIGHT SPECULUM?

STEPH-AUREUS

TORTUOSITY

A FISH NAMED ROND

UNCESS LALEH

CAN OB-GYN-KENOBI & HIS TRUSTY DROIDS SAVE PRINCESS LALEH FROM THE EVIL CLUTCHES OF.....

OB-GYN-KENOBI

E. SCIULLO

NORMAL FLORA OF THE COLON

RTH SATER

DARTH SATER?!

C3-B.O (PHEW!) & NUMEROUS STEF-LO COCCI

E. LICHTMAN

(WATCH FOR "RETURN OF THE ED-I")

BOBA-FET

LINDA CALRECIAN

LOOK!

RT BUYERS BEWARE!

CHAR 2-D2 ('BOUT THE RIGHT HEIGHT)

THESE SCRIBE NOTES HAVE GRETCH MARKS

A WOMB WITH A VIEUX

OS (PLURAL; OSI)

HEY YOU! ...

... LEGGO MY EGO!

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Love,
Mom and Dad
Lisa, Kevin, Erin and Meg
Lori and Tim
Grandmom and Grandpop Aquilino
Grandmom and Grandpop Barnik

"Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life."
Confucius

Dr. Keith Ginsberg,

We are overwhelmed with pride by all that you've achieved and accomplished. Our wish for you is to attain all the goals and dreams you've set for yourself.

With much love and
all our congratulations,

Dad, Mom, Courtney, Jill & Robyn

Congratulations
Jennifer S. Wolfgang, D.O.

You have come so far!
I always knew you would
make a fantastic physician.

With Love and Admiration,
John

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You are a daughter to be proud of!!

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Dear Peter,
At times I so miss the wonderful little boy you were. But I would not bring back those times if I could, for then I would miss even more, the warm and caring man you are today.
Mommy would have been so proud!!

Love Always,
Dad

DR. FRANK QUIGLEY

"I think I can"..... We knew you could!

Congratulations and Good Luck!

Love, Mom, Dad and Cathy

Congratulations to our son

Dr. Christopher M. Smith

You have worked hard and it has paid off. Much happiness and success to you on the road ahead. We love you and are so very proud of you!!

Mom & Dad
XXXXOOOO

CONGRATULATIONS
DR. CRYSTAL ANNE YOUNG

I thank God who gave you the wisdom and compassion for others.
I'm so proud of you.

LOVE,
MOMMY

Congratulations

Dr. Tammy L. Keister

We are so proud of your achievement.
Dad, Mom, and Nathan

What I live for
I live for those who love me,
Whose hearts are kind and true
For the bright hopes yet to find me,
And the good that I can do.
For the future in the distance,
And the good that I can do.
~ George Linnaeus Banks

Jason M. Handza, D.O.

Jason, I'm so very proud of you, son, and all that you have accomplished. You've always met your challenges head on and made your dreams come true. It takes a lot of dedication and determination to achieve what you have with your life, and I foresee only more success and happiness in your future. Remember to live the life you believe in, trust your judgements and all of life's treasures will be yours. May success and happiness be yours in everything you do.
Love, Mom

Congratulations and continued success in the future. We're all very proud of you.
Love, Andreja and Gene

Congratulations, Jason. May God help you heal body, mind and spirit. Uncle Bob

With Love And Pride
Our Congratulations To

Karl Otto Luxardo, D.O.

"The World Needs Your Understanding And Compassion"

With All Our Love,
Gram, Mom, Kristina, Aunt Carolyn
And
In Loving Memory of Pop.

Dr. Donna DiBruno:

Congratulations to our loving Granddaughter and niece who at a very young age, had a dream. With God's help, with a very strong determination and effort, her dream came true. We are very proud of you. May God bless you and guide you always.

We love you, Donna!
The Correnti Family
Grandpop, Grandmom and Uncle Philip

Dr. Amy Lynn Mitchell

"When a child loves you for a long, long time, not just to play with, but REALLY loves you, then you become REAL. It doesn't happen all at once. You become. It takes a long time."

You have become and I'm so very proud of you.

I love you,
Mom

CONGRATULATIONS

NISHITH K. JOBANPUTRA, D.O.

Persistence, perseverance and patience - the virtues that always come through in life.

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With much love and pride, Your Family —
Romy, Deb, Ed, Joan, Michael, Rachel, Holly and Jonathan

Dr. Timmer,

We love you and are very, very proud of you.

Mom, Dad, Richard, Cyndy, Kelly, Amanda, Nona, Grandpa, Grandma & Grandpa

To our daughter,
Helen Manalis, D.O.

We thank God for giving us a daughter as precious as you. Helen, you have always made us so very proud with everything you have done. We knew that you could accomplish your dreams. Congratulations and much success on becoming a doctor.

Love,
Daddy, Mommy, Dafni and Maria

Dr. Vanessa Brennan

God has given you so many gifts: beauty, sensitivity, the power to heal and a humble heart. To Dad and I, he gave the most valuable gift - You. You should be so proud of yourself, we are.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Dr. Paul Shields,

You are a wonderful husband, father, friend, and now..... a DYNAMITE doctor, too! Congratulations on your success. With GREAT love and admiration,

Vicki and Joshua

Congratulations
Edward Anthony Overton, D.O.

We are very proud of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Nana, Dee and Vince

Dr. Michael Ari Kleinman

Congratulations!
For all that you are
For all that we know you will achieve
For all that you have blessed us with
We wish you love, happiness, good health,
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Love,

Mom, Sam, Pop and Gram

Congratulations Dr. Jennifer S. Wolfgang!

Your hard work, dedication, and faith have made your goal a reality. We always knew you could do it, Rocket!

We love you, Dad, Mom, Lynne and Kelley

Jessica Fulton, D.O.

May the greatest of healers be with you always as you care for your patients.

In great love and admiration,
Mom and Dad

"CONGRATULATIONS" DR. JENNIFER PACEK

Your hard work and determination have made your dreams come true.
We are all very proud of you.
With Love and Best Wishes
Mom, Dad
Karen, Chris, and Zachary
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YOUR DREAM HAS COME TRUE.
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For all your hard work and dedication.
We are so very proud of you.

CONGRATULATIONS

RENEE MARIE KENDZIERSKI, D.O.

Love
Mom, Dad, Bill, Nan & Pop Pop,
Grandmom & Grandpop, Aunt Tillie

Todd Kazdan, D.O.

We are so proud of all your accomplishments.
Congratulations to you and Risa.
We love you very much.

Mom, Dad, Annette, Kate,
Grandma, Grandpa, Scott,
Lori, Marcie, Brian, Jenna,
Marc & Lauren

WANTED

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS MAN? AKA KARL LUXARDO; AKA WOODY - EMPLOYEE OF "CHEERS" BAR; AKA BILL OF "BILL AND TED'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE." DO NOT TRY TO APPREHEND! IF YOU SEE HIM - PLEASE GIVE HIM THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE:

KARL: MOM AND DAD "G" ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU! IF YOU ARE AS GOOD A DOCTOR AS YOU ARE A HUSBAND TO OUR DAUGHTER AND FATHER TO OUR GRANDCHILDREN, THEN YOU WILL SURELY BE A VERY SUCCESSFUL AND DEDICATED PHYSICIAN. WE LOVE YOU AND WILL ALWAYS SUPPORT YOU!

YOUR "IN-LAWS" - MOM & DAD GANDENBERGER
TONYIA & ROB AND KRISTOFFER

Congratulations

Dr. Marissa B. Weiss

We are all so very proud of you!

Love, Mom & Dad, Mitchell,
Michelle, Eric & Madison

Tabatha Jeffers, D.O.

Tabatha Lee:
Is it "Rah", "Rah", "Rah" or "Cha", "Cha", "Cha" — Either way kid — YOU'VE DONE IT ALL!!! The accomplishments in your young life have fulfilled dreams that Dad and I would never have experienced in a lifetime. It goes without saying how proud the family is of you - and you better believe "Grandma" and "Pa" are smiling down on their "Tammy". We love you!! Mom and Dad

Jason Tronetti, D.O.

May your long years of preparation for a life of service to those who are sick and hurting be continually blessed, always honoring and glorifying God "Who began a good work in you and continues to complete it until Jesus comes"(Phil. 1:6) Love, Aunt Carolyn and family.

We are so proud of all you have accomplished! You are truly the man of Proverbs 17:27 "He who has knowledge spares his words, And a man of understanding is of a calm spirit." We love you, Dr. Tronetti! Love, Marilu, Mickey, Nathan and Jordan.

May God bless you as you dedicate your life to serving others. "For whatever a man sows, this he will also reap" Gal. 6:7. Love you! Your very proud cousin, Kristina.

"Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men; knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve." Col. 3:24. May you and those you seek to serve be truly blessed. All our love, Dennis, Cara, Jeremy & Brittany.

We are so proud of you **"Dr. J"** Go get 'em. The dream of the 12 year old boy has come to fruition, through lots of hard work, patience and prayer. Love you, Uncle Bob & Aunt Sandy.

Congratulations on all your dedication & hard work. We know that you will not only be a good doctor, but a kind & compassionate one as well. Love, Mike, Babette & Willie.

I knew because of the "special" day you were born on, you'd be very special. Congratulations, Jeff, Tracia & Tangie.

Congratulations on your pursuit of excellence. Thanks for always caring about me. A proud cousin, Chad.

Jay, be confident of this, He that began a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. Phil. 1:6. Congratulations & Best Wishes (I can't wait 'til the elk hunt) Greg, Jessica, Ariel, Tim, Laura & Jeff.

Congratulations on fulfilling your life long dream. We are so proud of you. Continue to be fruitful in your work & increase in the knowledge of Him. Love, Ed, Deanna, Christi & Bryant.

Your perseverence, integrity and faith have brought you to this point in your life and will see you through all that lies ahead. Always remember that faith is rewarded and love fortifies. And of course, "patients" is a virtue! God Bless You Always. We love you, Tami, Angelo, Anthony & Nicholas.

With God all things are possible! As you strive to serve others never lose sight of the God who created you. "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels." Hebrews 13:2. A very proud MOM & DAD.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will be glad and rejoice in it. Ps. 118:24. It's your day, Jason, it's our day. Your dedication, hours of study and sacrifice of social life have brought you to this day. I'm so-o-o proud of you. Love, Gram.

Jason, Awesome! We sure are proud of all you have accomplished! We are excited for you. We love you, Uncle Fred & Aunt Linda.

Jason, Congratulations Buddy. All your time and efforts have paid off. (You can be my doctor any day). Love ya, Fred S. Harteis.

You are the man! We are so happy for you & all that you have accomplished. You are our favorite doctor! We love you, J.C. & Tonya.

We wish you all the success and happiness that you have worked so hard to achieve! Much love, Uncle Ken and Marsha.

Congratulations! All of your hard work throughout the years has paid off. We are proud and wish you a lifetime of success and happiness. May God continue to bless you. All our love, Uncle Lon, Aunt Barb, Jennifer and Amanda.

Congratulations, Jason. You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you. Best Wishes, Aunt Dede, Jeff, Carol, Josh, Nate, Pam, Jami & Ashley.

A Doctor in the family? **YES! (Dr. Jason Tronetti)** May God bless your hands as you reach out to serve Him by serving others. (Phil. 1:6; James 1:5) Love, Uncle Bud, Aunt Donna and family.

Gene says Hurry up - I need your services. Congratulations!! Uncle Gene & Aunt Jean.

1976

Kevin McGeehan, D.O.

Congratulations on all of your accomplishments. Best wishes for a great future.

Love,
Nina, Mom, Dad and Jennifer

1998

To our Precious Daughter

Janie Lynette Orrington-Myers III

Remember:
Nothing in life that is worthy
is never too hard to achieve
if you have the courage to try
and the faith to believe.

Your loving parents,
Dr. & Mrs. James Orrington

Dear Fred,
We are proud of your achievement,

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Good luck always.
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Good Luck to Fred and all of his Classmates.

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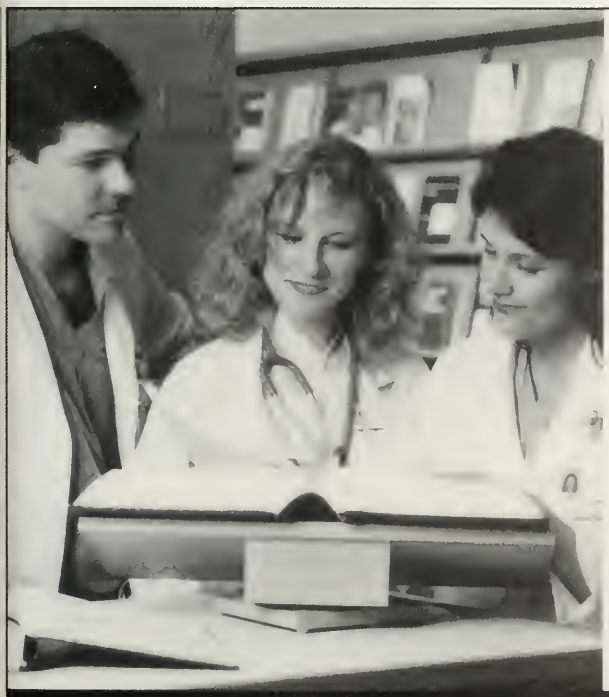

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MOM, DAD AND PAUL

Best Wishes
Julie Halvorsen, D.O.
Love,
Mom and Dad

DONNA DI BRUNO, D.O.

Congratulations on accomplishing your dream!
Because of your sweet nature we know that you
will be a caring and sympathetic doctor.
We are bursting with happiness and pride!

Love you always,
Mom, Dad and Joey

P.S. We love you more than CHEESE!

MATTHEW ROBERT KULKA

1969

You've come a long way baby!

You've grown into an honorable, compassionate and loving man. Through determination and perseverance you've made your dream come true.

What a splendid physician you will be!

OUR LOVE AND CONGRATULATIONS
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Congratulations on reaching your goal. You have been given a precious gift from God, use it well. We are all honored to share this crowning moment with you!

Not everyone has the mind to be a physician. It is even more rare for one to possess the heart, mind, and soul to not only be a physician but a true healer.
Congratulations Bro! Love, Scott and Heidi

To my little "big" brother from your big "little" brother. I am very proud of you and I still think you should have joined the Marine Corps...It's not too late.
Jimmy and Leigh

Congrats Man!! I always knew that you would achieve your dream.
We are all very proud of you! Chimenti & Kelly

May god richly bless my adopted son for all he has done for me!
Love Always, Emil

From LEIR to here, it has been a long and sometimes bumpy road but you made it! I have never been more proud of you than I am right now. I know in my heart you are going to be a wonderful doctor and an even better surgeon. Thank you for letting me share this moment with you. I love you with all my heart and soul!
All my love and support, Kelly

MARICARS. PACQUING, D.O.

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU AND CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE FULFILLMENT OF YOUR CHILDHOOD DREAMS...
TO BE A PHYSICIAN!

WITH ALL OUR LOVE,
MOM, DAD, JAYPEE, JAMES, LOLA
UNCLES AND AUNTS

Dr. Todd Morehouse

CONGRATULATIONS ON REACHING THIS MAJOR GOAL. WE ARE INCREDIBLY PROUD OF NOT ONLY WHAT YOU HAVE ACHIEVED, BUT THE QUALITIES YOU'VE DISPLAYED DURING THIS LONG JOURNEY. YOUR FOCUS, DEDICATION, AND WORK ETHIC HAVE BEEN EXTRAORDINARY AND ARE, BY THEMSELVES, CAUSE FOR YOUR PARENTS TO CELEBRATE.

NOW, IF YOU COULD ONLY FIX THAT SLICE....
LOVE, MOM AND DAD

Jennifer Blitz, D.O.

We are so very proud of you and your accomplishments. Your winning personality, dedication to learning and compassion for people will serve you well in the years to come.

All our love,
Mom, Dad, Mark and Wicket

Dr. Jay Salinsky

We are all filled with pride for your accomplishments and for the person you are! Cool Dude!

All our love,
Dad, Mar, Jodi &
The Whole Family

Carolyn Kollar, D.O.

The second of two JEWELS. Dedicated, conscientious, humorous, a DELIGHT to be around. Her talent abounds. A DOCTOR she ALWAYS wanted to be, understanding, straightforward, on a track to SUCCEED. She can be counted on for her WORD is her DEED! Her Sister's FRIEND, her Mother's PRIDE, her Father's JOY. A DETERMINED, GOAL DIRECTED, SUCCESS DRIVEN gal, she's chosen OB-GYN to be her field. Her outgoing nature, her SMILE, coupled with her TRUSTING STYLE will serve her well for a very long while. Her FAMILY WISHES HER THE BEST! Continue the QUALITY, the CONCERN FOR OTHERS and DO YOUR BEST! We LOVE YOU and SUPPORT YOU and THANK YOU for BEING YOU! Love, **POPS**

To My Sister,

In your dealings with people, remember they are creatures of emotion; be understanding and forgiving. Maintain to the best of your ability the highest of standards; be just in your ways. Hold in deepest confidence the secrets people share. Always strive to improve. Your hard work, dedication, character and focus have brought you here today. Now that your dream has come true all the world is open to you. Congratulations on earning you D.O.!

Love, Kathy

To Our Granddaughter,
Always have good humor and good bedside manners.
Love,
Gram and Gramps

Dear Carolyn,
I am so proud of you! I hope you will be very happy in your chosen profession. When you were a little girl you always said when you grew up you were going to be a doctor like you Grandpa Rogers. I thought you would get over this idea, as children do, but you never changed your mind. Your Grandpa would have been proud of you, too. I know he would have been very pleased to have another doctor in the family.
Lots of love, **Grandma Rogers**

Carolyn,
Congratulations!
Today is your day.
You're off to Great Places!
You're off and away!
~ Dr. Seuss

CONGRATULATIONS!
Your hard work got you where you wanted to be. Good luck!
We couldn't be more proud.
Love, **Peg and Duane**

Carolyn,
Good luck and success in your new venture.
Love always, **Aunt Betty**

Carolyn,
We love and are so proud of you. Way to go girl! Just remember the Great Physician and consult Him for all your diagnoses and guidance.
God Bless You, Doc.
Love, Aunt Susie and Uncle Tiny

A doctor with as much heart power as brainpower! is a concept that we all need, and you will provide. You are a worthy inspiration!
Love, **Ronnie**

Our greatest happiness does not depend on the condition of life in which chance has placed us, but is always the result of a good conscience, good health, occupation, and freedom in all-just pursuits.
~ Thomas Jefferson

Dear Carolyn,
We are so proud of you, not just by your educational accomplishments buy by what a fine woman you are. We wish you deep happiness and a satisfying and full life and life's works.
Love,
Uncle Jim, Aunt Lou, Jamie & Brian

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In congratulation you, we want to thank you for making us so proud. Best wishes for continued success with good health and happiness. Time to enjoy it, and may all your dreams come true!
Love always,
XX Mom and Dad XX

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I am so very proud of your achievements. Your hard work and dedication in your efforts of becoming a physician have finally become a dream come true. You will make an incredible physician, enriching the lives you touch. I love you dearly. Congratulations! Love, Tray XOXO

Congratulations! All your hard work and dedication has paid off. You will make a wonderful physician. Best of luck! Love, Mark & Lori

CONGRATULATIONS ED!

We Honor you and Osteopathic Medicine.
You are our own new
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Edmund Matthew Sciullo, D.O.

With Love from the Osteopathic Families of
Sciullo, Cifala, Amalfitano, and Spunar.

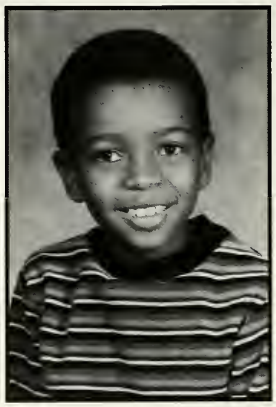
The road was long and hard to travel but Jason had the desire, dedication, devotion, determination plus the ability to absorb all of the data to excel in his chosen profession. We are so proud to congratulate our son,

Dr. Jason Aronovitz

on his accomplishments. We love you very much,
your family.

CONGRATULATIONS

DR. ULRICK VIEUX, JR.



WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!
YOU ALWAYS ACCEPTED
A CHALLENGE AND EXCELLED.
LOVE, MOM, DAD,
STEVE AND ANTHONY

Congratulations to our fine son,

Dr. Kenneth D. Shank

on reaching this great milestone.

With much love,
Mom and Dad

"Be a good workman, one who does not need to be ashamed when God examines your work." II Timothy 2:15 (L.B.)

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Congratulations to our son

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I've always been so very proud of you, but never more so than now. Your determination and confidence have made your Goal of becoming a Doctor a reality. There'll be nobody like you ever again, so make the most of every precious moment. The Medical profession has just a "star". With great pride and joy I Congratulate you, I love you with all of my heart, you are my heart! **Mom**

I don't think anyone in this world has touched my life as much as you have. You have been such an important part of my life. You told me when you were a little girl that you wanted to be a doctor and you would take care of me. You have reached your goal. You told me five years ago that I would attend your Medical School Graduation – save me a front seat on June 6th! You're the greatest! I love you, **Aunt Anne**

Your were my first grandchild. From your early youth you had a goal in life and it was to become a doctor. That dream will soon become a reality. God bless you for many, many happy years. I am so proud of you. Love Always, **Gram**

Congratulations! Words cannot express how proud I am of you today. Thank you for being such a sweet niece. Your dreams and goals came true. Lots of love, **Aunt Mary**

!!!! CONGRATULATIONS JENNIFER !!!!

*We are very proud of you today, as we have been your whole life. There is no doubt that you will be a wonderful and compassionate "Doc" as you pursue your dreams and ambitions. We love you very deeply.....***Uncle James, Aunt Pauline & Colleen**

To Jade :

We are happy for you and your choices.
Hold on to those dreams.
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"The man who succeeds is the one who early in life clearly discerns his object and towards that object habitually directs his powers."

"The force, the mass of character, mind, heart or soul that a man can put into any work, is the most important factor in that work."

I am so proud of you. I am impressed that you have always known what you wanted and have never let anything stop you from attaining your goal. You never wavered on what you wanted to be when you grew up and now you are there. The work you have done to reach this point is only the beginning and with what you have accomplished thus far, I know that what is to come will be even more amazing. You have all of the qualities that will make you a good doctor - the main one being caring about others. There are no words that I can find that seem to do justice to this moment.

I am proud. I am impressed. Congratulations. Love, Mom

Sally Reibson, D.O.

From - No Hair, To - Tomboy, To - Dairy Royalty,

To

DOCTOR

It's only Just Begun,
You make us proud.
Wishing you the very best in life
Love, Dad, Mom, Scott & Randy

Dr. Donna DiBruno

Congratulations to the first physician in our family. I am very proud of you, and Grandmom would have been thrilled.

Love,
Grandpop Joe DiBruno

We have been profoundly blessed with an intelligent, caring, beautiful daughter. Sharing a part of her life has brought immeasurable joy. We are grateful to the Lord for His love and guidance in directing her footsteps.

Congratulations to

DR. SAMANTHA DELUCA

for a job well done!
Love, Mom and Dad

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-Chris

Rachel Goldstein, D.O.

Congratulations on
a job well done.

We are proud of your accomplishments
Mom and Dad
Avery and Nancy
Sharon and Mayer

Dr. Jennifer Acconzo

For waiting on Bus #3 with a surprise Grablick's ice-cream cone for your younger cousin, riding towards the sunny half-days in the alleys & yards of West Pittston. For singing every song on popular radio, the Top Gun-Madonna-80's gal who chilled on the shores of Long Beach Island during the best summers of our lives with our Big Sister who showed us how to be awesome, even told us the word awesome, and plenty of other things which have been captured on T-shirts, countless pictures resting quietly in Anne Babe's closet, and on vintage Beta videos that are quite dusty lately as well. For the Polo & Benetton fashion tips, and the punctual arrivals at Family celebrations. For going to Nova & cheering the team I used to dream of playing with. For taking chances others wouldn't, for defeating every odd and shattering the expectations. For excelling far beyond all of our dreams by your rules, and defining greatness for the rest to follow. For never resisting your helping hand while keeping your eye on what's important to your. For always giving me someone to look up to; the World is yours kid, much love from the gang still on Susquehanna Ave.

Friends of the Class of 1999

Congratulations **Dr. Ris**! Love, Lauren Oresman

Dr. Brian Kuronya, We are so proud of you! Love, Nicole & Gage.

Becky Souder, D.O. — Congratulations! Love, Re & John

To the **Class of 1999**, Best of luck to you all! Love, Linda Aquilino

Congratulations and Best Wishes to **Dr. Christopher Pomrink**!
Love, Your Family.

Congratulations **Dr. Jennifer Pacek**. Love, Chris, Karen, and Zachary Beisler

Congratulations **Dr. Gregory Scott Smith**. We're proud of you!!
Mom, Ed and Alyssa

Congratulations to our daughter-in-law-doctor, **Jennifer S. Wolfgang, D.O.**. Love, Mom and Dad Wolfgang

Congratulations and Best wishes to our daughter, **Dr. Dana Newswanger!**
Love, Mom & Dad

Dick and Sandy Nelson, proud parents of **Dr. Dave Nelson**!

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WAY TO GO **ANGIE**!! With lots of Love from all the Fausts!

Congratulations and Good Luck **Dr. Linda Aquilino**. Love, Aunt Mitzi

Becky, we are so proud of you - Love Grandma & Grandpa Mandato

Congratulations, love and happiness to **Dr. John Kolisnyk**. Mom and Dad

Dr. Chris White, we love you and we are proud of you – Your Family

Congratulations, **Dr. C. Scott Thompson**, on your wonderful accomplishment. Love, Mom, Dad and all the family.

Dr. Bob Czincila, follow your heart and always believe in yourself as much as I do. Love, Patty

DR. JILL NYE, May your future be full of love and good luck. Love, Nana and Pap Grow.

Congratulations to two of the best... **Dr. Christopher M. Smith** and **Dr. Donna DiBruno**. We love you both! Mom and Dad

Jenny Dear - I'm so proud of you. Good luck, Love Grandma Fassler

Congratulations **Pam Quinlan, D.O.**!! Mr. and Mrs. F. Brian Quinlan

With much love, joy, pride and admiration we congratulate our son and brother, **Dr. Jeffrey Alan Bubis** for accomplishing his dream. All our love, Mom, Dad and Debbie.

Dr. Jennifer Kaplan, I am so proud of you. Love Mom

Congratulations **DR. JENNIFER PACEK**. Our love and best wishes to you. Grandma, Grandpap, Aunt Marta, Uncle Jim, Jeff and Jill

Dr. G.P. Falkenstein, — Congratulations Jerry! I'm so proud of you. Love, Mom.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to **Crystal A. Young, D.O.**

Dr. Becky Souder, I knew you could do it! Love, Grandma Souder

Paging: **Doctor Nicole Kichta** - Love, Your Family

You can be smug now. Congratulations **Dr. Christopher M. Smith**. Love, Brian and Susan

Congratulations **Bob Czincila, D.O.** May all your dreams come true. Love, Mom, Dad, Steph, & Mom-Mom.

Hey, **Dr. Linda**! The Lunny's from N.C. are very proud of y'all!!

Congratulations **Dr. Dave Weinstock**! Mr. and Mrs. Norman Weinstock

Congrats to **Jill Nye** and **Becky Souder**! Love, Stacey Z.

Congratulations **Doctor Donna Olshefski**! I'm so happy to be with you and to be a part of it. Love, Larry.

Dr. Valerie McAvley: How fortunate the patients that have you for their physician! Much love, Mother.

Congratulations! Always do your best, Earline Warwick

To our little sister, **Sally Reibson, D.O.**: We wish you happiness, laughter and love. Which you have always given to us. From your brothers, Scott and Randy.

Dr. Lauri Hicks, you are the best! Love, Mom, Dad, Jay, Beth, Andrew, Stephen & Grandma

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Best wishes **Dr. Kevin Kirk.** Love, Mom and Dad

I am thrilled that my daughter, **Dr. Maria Hoertz**, will be a member of PCOM '99.

Congratulations **Dr. Jill Nye**! We knew you could do it. Bill & Sandy

Congratulations **Ronda Broady, D.O.**! Ina Butler

Congratulations to **Jason Handza, D.O.** We wish you the best. Mom, Andreja, Gene, Grandma, Grandpap, Uncle Bob, Carol and Carl.

Congratulations! Love, Philip and Roberta Scott

Much luck, success and love to our Granddaughter **Dr. Linda Aquilino**, from Grandmom Lola and Granpop Romeo Aquilino

Congratulations Bear! Love, Punk, Ma, Gram, Nutder, Pen, Fred & Jake

Congratulations to **Christopher M. Smith, D.O.** and **Donna DiBruno, D.O.** A job well done! Much love! Mom, Dad, Uncle Joe, Leon, Julie, and "the girls".

Dr. Becky Ann Souder - How wonderful that sounds!! We ALL LOVE YA LOTS, Dad, Mom, Stacy, Jami, & Billi , Bella & Nino too!!!!

Congratulations **Dr. John Caprez**! Love, Jack and Joanne Caprez

Congratulations **Dr. Doug Luxenberg**! Love Mom and Dad, Stacey and John, Jen and Lee.

Congratulations, **Dr. Linda Aquilino** - Love, Godmother Claudia

Congratulations to **Dr. Crystal Anne Young** on a job well done. Love, Granddaddy

From the Editors Desk

Co-Editors:

Dana Hamilton
Chris White

In the course of the lives of organizations in this country, it is rare for one to reach its 100th birthday. For an organization to reach the century mark and have made as many human contributions as PCOM is truely remarkable. As co-editors of Synapsis 1999 it has been a privilege to be part of this centennial celebration.

When I volunteered to work on Synapsis 1999, I had no idea what an unbelievingly HUGE task would ensue. Luckily I had a fantastic co-editor to share the load.

Chris, I can't believe we actually pulled it off. Our vision has become reality. I couldn't have asked for a better partner. I will never understand how we worked so closely and never once disagreed. I wish you the best in all you do - I know that you will be a success. (If things ever gets crazy, always remember to blow out the candle).

To the Class of 1999, Chris and I have spent countless hours producing what we hope you feel is the best in PCOM's 100 year history. In the preceding pages we not only attempted to document the recent past (4yrs.) but have tried to reminisce on the highlights of the past century. I wish all of you the best in your careers and lives. I hope that each time you open this book you have fond memories of all that we shared along this journey.

-Dana

Well, what do you know - it's finally finished! We made a conscience effort to make this "everyone's" yearbook. I hope that is the impression you are left with.

Dana, working with you was great. (And, yes, I'd still be inclined to say this even if you weren't going to be proofreading my work). You kept it fun. You kept it sane. So thanks for allowing me to vent when necessary. Accomplishing this with you will certainly be one of my fondest memories. I wish you the best, knowing that you will be a fantastic pediatrician.

And to the Class of 1999...thanks for the memories. I hoped but never expected to have the number of good times that we all shared. Whether it was Jake & Oliver's, the PCOM Prom or where ever, we knew how to relieve our stress. And talk about stress, how 'bout that medical school experience? There were numerous times (like yesterday during COMLEX Part II) that I kept my sanity only because I realized that I wasn't the only one getting blown away on an exam. I made it through every finals week because I understood that 250 other people were feeling the same stress and anxiety, and if I needed to bitch there were many people who could identify. And regarding those feelings of inadequacy in the hospital, it was good to know that I wasn't the only one not to be all that "vital" to the process. The point is that when I walk across that stage on June 6th to pick up my diploma, I will be very conscience of the fact that I am a member of our class. We did it together. I'll always take great pride in that, and I leave here believing that this is what made PCOM so unique. Thanks to those who especially contributed to my experience at PCOM, and I wish everyone peace and fulfillment in their lives.

-Chris

Dana and Chris would like to thank the following for their contributions to Synapsis 1999.

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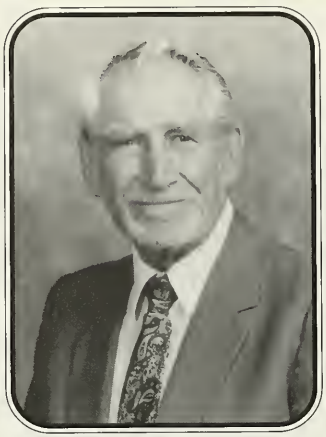

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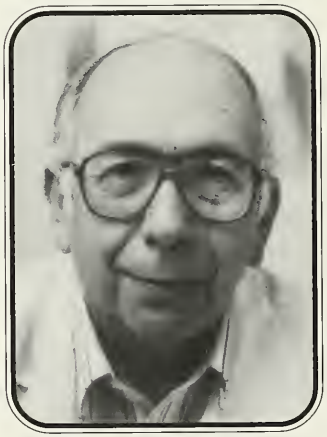

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IN MEMORIAM

Nothing Gold Can Stay

Nature's first green is gold,

her hardest hue to hold.

Her early leaf's a flower;

but only for an hour:

Then the leaf subsides to leaf,

so Eden sank to grief

So dawn goes down to day,

nothing gold can stay

- Robert Frost

Contributed by Raquel Szlanic, Class of 2001

Merit Secured

When co-founders O.J. Snyder, D.O., and Mason W. Pressly, D.O., launched the Philadelphia College and Infirmary of Osteopathy in 1899, they purchased the rudimentary necessities: anatomical specimens, chemical and physiological equipment, and one dozen compound microscopes. They donated their time and their passion for teaching, and imparted their convictions in the osteopathic concept. Over time, the tools of the osteopathic profession changed as advances were made in medicine and as D.O.s loosened their strict adherence to Andrew Taylor Still's principles to embrace the new medical developments. Teaching methods changted, too-perhaps the most radical innovation being the computer, which openned new avenues to medical education in the mid- 1980s and '90s.

Throughout PCOM's century of evolution, its timehonored tradition of teaching excellence has prevailed. On a whole- or part-time basis, seven decades of alumni have helped train the students of the late 1990s, who now will lead PCOM into its second century. Many of the alumni, faculty and administrators who have given years of service to PCOM are mentioned in this history; even more are to be remembered by their deeds.

Nearly 100years ago, Pressly wrote, "To secure merit is our aim." The challenge meant introducing a new school of thought into a city steeped in traditional medicine; financing buildings and programs; weathering internal and external struggles; and most importantly, training physicians who are recognized for their skills in any setting. With mens et manusm PCOM has met all these challenges- for the College, for the osteopathic profession and ultimately, for humanity.

To Secure Merit

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